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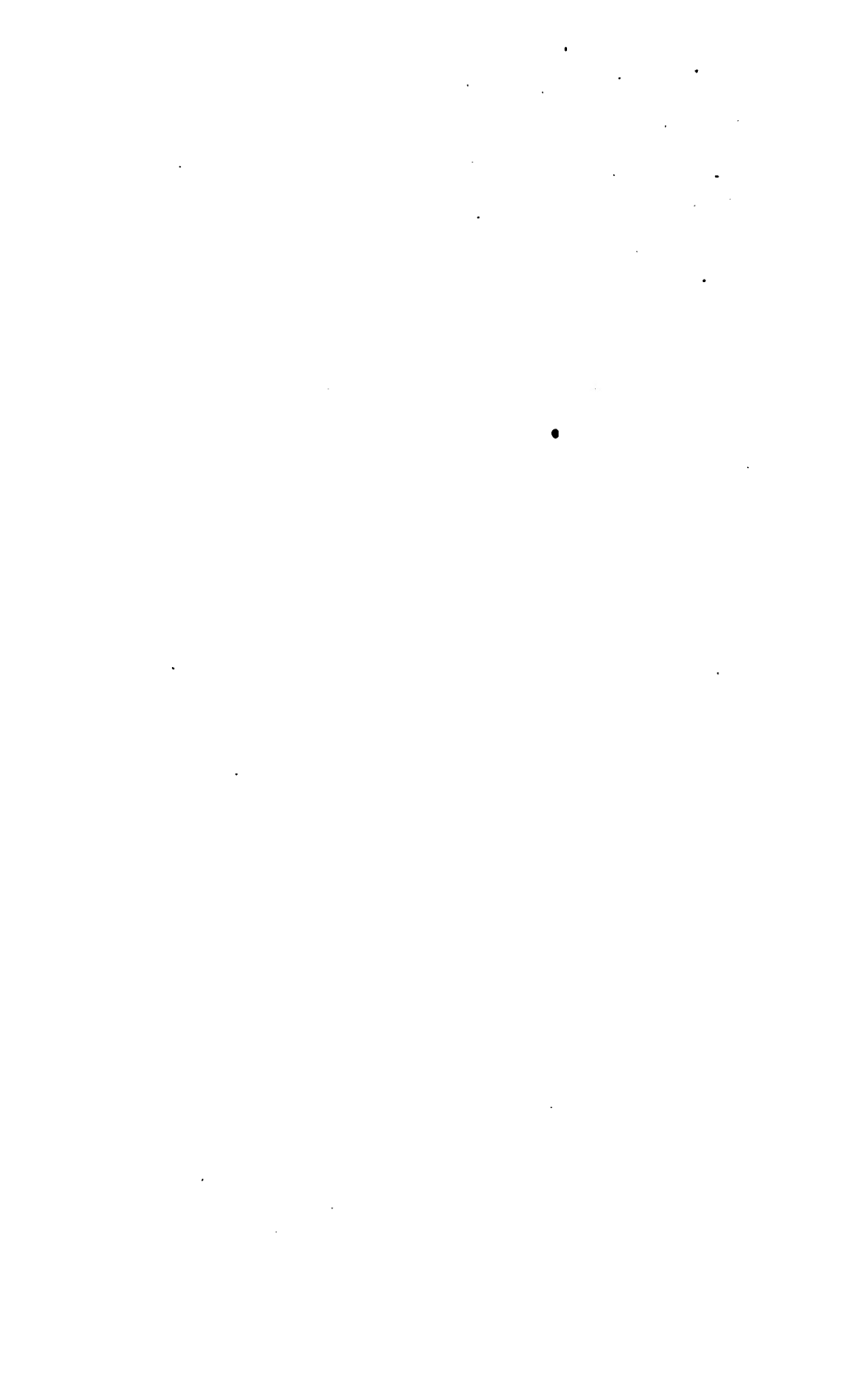
BEING THE
SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-SECOND CONGRESS,

BEGUN AND HELD
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BEGUN and held at the Capitol, in the city of Washington, in the District of Columbia, on Monday, the sixth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two, and in the seventy-seventh year of the Independence of the United States, being the *Second Session* of the THIRTY-SECOND CONGRESS, held under the constitution of the government of the United States.

On which day, being the day fixed by the constitution of the United States for the meeting of Congress, LINN BOYD, the Speaker, one of the representatives from the State of Kentucky, and the following named members of the House of Representatives, appeared and took their seats, viz:

From the State of—

MAINE	{ Moses McDonald, John Appleton, Robert Goodenow, Isaac Reed, Ephraim K. Smart, Israel Washburn, jr., Thomas J. D. Fuller.
NEW HAMPSHIRE	{ Amos Tuck, Charles H. Peaslee, Jared Perkins.
VERMONT	{ William Hebard, James Meacham.
MASSACHUSETTS	{ James H. Duncan, Charles Allen, George T. Davis, John Z. Goodrich, Horace Mann, Zeno Scudder.
RHODE ISLAND	{ George G. King, Benjamin B. Thurston.
CONNECTICUT	{ Charles Chapman, Colin M. Ingersoll, Chauncey F. Cleveland, Origen S. Seymour.

From the State of—

NEW YORK.....

Obadiah Bowne,
J. H. Hobart Haws,
George Briggs,
James Brooks,
Abraham P. Stephens,
Gilbert Dean,
William Murray,
Josiah Sutherland,
David L. Seymour,
John L. Schoolcraft,
John H. Boyd,
Alexander H. Buell,
Preston King,
Willard Ives,
Timothy Jenkins,
Henry Bennett,
Leander Babcock,
Daniel T. Jones,
Thomas Y. How, jr.,
Henry S. Walbridge,
William A. Sackett,
Abraham M. Schermerhorn,
Jerediah Horsford,
Reuben Robie,
Solomon G. Haven,
Augustus P. Hascall,
Lorenzo Burrows.

NEW JERSEY.....

Nathan T. Stratton,
Charles Skelton,
Isaac Wildrick.
Thomas B. Florence,
Joseph R. Chandler,
Henry D. Moore,
John Robbins, jr.,
John McNair,
Thomas Ross,
John A. Morrison,
Thaddeus Stevens,
J. Glancy Jones,
Milo M. Dimmick,
Galusha A. Grow,
James Gamble,
Thomas M. Bibighaus,
William H. Kurtz,
James X. McLanahan,
John L. Dawson,
Joseph H. Kuhns,
Thomas M. Howe,
John W. Howe,
Carlton B. Curtis,
Alfred Gilmore.

PENNSYLVANIA.....

From the State of—

DELAWARE.....	George Read Riddle.
MARYLAND.....	{ Richard I. Bowie, William T. Hamilton, Edward Hammond, Thomas Y. Walsh, Alexander Evans, Joseph S. Cottman.
VIRGINIA.....	{ John S. Millson, Richard K. Meade, Thomas H. Averett, Thomas S. Bocock, Paulus Powell, John S. Caskie, Thomas H. Bayly, Alexander R. Holladay, James F. Strother, Charles J. Faulkner, John Letcher, Henry A. Edmundson, Fayette McMullen, James M. H. Beale.
NORTH CAROLINA.....	{ Thomas L. Clingman, Alfred Dockery, James T. Morehead, Abraham W. Venable, John R. J. Daniel, William S. Ashe, Edward Stanly, David Outlaw.
SOUTH CAROLINA.....	{ Daniel Wallace, James L. Orr, Joseph A. Woodward, John McQueen, William F. Colcock.
GEORGIA.....	{ Joseph W. Jackson, Charles Murphy, Junius Hillyer, Alexander H. Stephens.
ALABAMA.....	{ John Bragg, William R. Smith, Williamson R. W. Cobb.
MISSISSIPPI.....	{ Benjamin D. Nabers, John A. Wilcox, John D. Freeman, Albert G. Brown.
LOUISIANA.....	{ Alexander G. Penn, John Moore.

From the State of—

OHIO.....

David T. Disney,
Lewis D. Campbell,
Benjamin Stanton,
Frederick W. Green,
Nelson Barrere,
John L. Taylor,
Edson B. Olds,
Charles Sweetser,
George H. Busby,
John Welch,
James M. Gaylord,
Alexander Harper,
William F. Hunter,
John Johnson,
Joseph Cable,
David K. Cartter,
Eben Newton,
Joshua R. Giddings,
Norton S. Townshend.

KENTUCKY.....

Linn Boyd,
Presley Ewing,
William T. Ward,
James W. Stone,
Addison White,
John C. Mason,
Richard H. Stanton.

TENNESSEE.....

Andrew Johnson,
Albert G. Watkins,
John H. Savage,
George W. Jones,
Meredith P. Gentry,
William Cullom,
Isham G. Harris,
Frederick P. Stanton,
Christopher H. Williams.

INDIANA.....

James Lockhart,
Cyrus L. Dunham,
John L. Robinson,
Samuel W. Parker,
Thomas A. Hendricks,
Willis A. Gorman,
John G. Davis,
Daniel Mace,
Samuel Brenton.

ILLINOIS.....

William H. Bissell,
Willis Allen,
Richard S. Molony,
William A. Richardson,
Thomas Campbell,
Richard Yates.

<i>From the State of—</i>		{	John F. Darby, Gilchrist Porter, John G. Miller, Willard P. Hall, John S. Phelps.
MISSOURI.....			
MICHIGAN			
IOWA			
WISCONSIN			
		{ Ebenezer J. Penniman, Charles E. Stuart.	
		Bernhart Henn.	
		{ Ben. C. Eastman, James Duane Doty.	
CALIFORNIA.....		Edward C. Marshall.	

Two new members appeared, were sworn to support the constitution of the United States, and took their seats, viz:

From the State of Virginia—Sherrard Clemens, in the place of George W. Thompson, resigned.

From the State of Kentucky—William Preston, in the place of Humphrey Marshall, resigned.

Joseph Lane, a delegate from the Territory of Oregon; Richard H. Weightman, a delegate from the Territory of New Mexico; and John M. Bernhisel, a delegate from the Territory of Utah, also appeared and took their seats.

On motion of Mr. George W. Jones,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate, informing that body that a quorum of the House of Representatives is assembled, and ready to proceed to business; and that the Clerk go with the said message.

On motion of Mr. George W. Jones,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed on the part of the House, to join such committee as may be appointed on the part of the Senate, to wait on the President of the United States, and to inform him that a quorum of the two houses is now in session, and that Congress are ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make.

Mr. George W. Jones, Mr. Haven, and Mr. Robbins were appointed of said committee on the part of the House.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have adopted a resolution for the appointment of a committee, jointly with the committee appointed on the part of the House of Representatives, to wait on the President of the United States, and inform him that a quorum of each house has assembled, and that Congress are ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make; and have appointed Mr. Bright and Mr. Davis of said committee on the part of the Senate.

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Sutherland submitted the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House, immediately after the passage of this resolution, place in a box the name of each member and delegate of the House of Representatives, on a separate piece of paper; that he then proceed, in presence of the House, to draw from said box, one at a time, the said pieces of paper; and as each is drawn, he shall announce the name of the member or delegate upon it, who shall then

choose his seat for the present session: *Provided*, That before said drawing shall commence, the Speaker shall cause every seat to be vacated, and shall see that every seat continues vacant until it is selected under this order.

The same having been read,

Mr. Sutherland moved the previous question;

Pending which,

Mr. Freeman moved that the said resolution be laid on the table; which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurring on the demand for the previous question, it was seconded, and the main question ordered and put; and, under the operation thereof, the said resolution was agreed to.

Mr. Briggs moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

The Clerk thereupon proceeded to execute the said order; which being complied with,

Mr. Richardson submitted the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the daily hour to which this House shall stand adjourned be 12 o'clock m., until otherwise ordered.

Mr. Skelton moved to amend the same, by striking out "12 o'clock m.," and inserting in lieu thereof "11 o'clock a. m.;" which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurred on the resolution submitted by Mr. Richardson;

And being put,

It was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Stuart moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to submit the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That after the expiration of the morning hour each day, the House shall proceed to the consideration of the business on the Speaker's table for one hour, until all business thereon shall be appropriately referred, or otherwise disposed of.

And the question being put,

It was decided in the negative; two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Lane, the rules having been suspended for that purpose, submitted the following resolution; which was read, considered, and agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That the Committee on Territories (when appointed) be requested to inquire into the expediency of dividing Oregon Territory, and forming a new Territory north of the Columbia river, by the name of Columbia Territory, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Cobb moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move that the bill of the House (No. 74) "to reduce and graduate the price of public lands to actual settlers and cultivators," be made a special order for the first Tuesday in January next; which motion was disagreed to; two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Lane, by unanimous consent, introduced a bill (No. 325) "to provide for the improvement of the navigation of the Willamette river, in Oregon Territory;" which was read a first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Commerce, (when appointed.)

Mr. Clingman moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move that so much of the rules as authorizes the calling of States for petitions be rescinded.

And the question being put,

It was decided in the negative; two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

The regular order of business having been called for,

The Speaker proceeded to call the States for petitions, beginning with the State of Maine.

No petitions being presented under the said call, and no committees having been appointed,

The Speaker next proceeded to call the States for resolutions, beginning with the State of Maine; when

Mr. Florence submitted the following resolution, viz :

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That two Chaplains be elected—one by the Senate, and the other by the House of Representatives; and that they officiate alternately during the present session of Congress.

The same having been read,

Mr. Alexander H. Stephens moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz : Will the House agree thereto?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Hall gave notice, under the rule, of his intention to move for leave to introduce a bill to organize the territory of Platte.

Mr. Cable also gave notice, under the rule, of his intention to move for leave to introduce a bill to encourage agriculture and secure homes to the landless.

Mr. George W. Jones, from the joint committee appointed to wait on the President, reported that the committee had discharged the duties imposed upon them, and that the President had informed them that he would make a communication in writing to the two houses immediately ;

And thereupon,

A message, in writing, was received from the President of the United States, by Millard P. Fillmore, his private secretary ; which was read, and is as follows, viz :

Fellow-citizens of the Senate

and of the House of Representatives:

The brief space which has elapsed since the close of your last session has been marked by no extraordinary political event. The quadrennial election of Chief Magistrate has passed off with less than the usual excitement. However individuals and parties may have been disappointed in the result, it is, nevertheless, a subject of national congratulation that the choice has been effected by the independent suffrages of a free people, undisturbed by those influences which in other countries have too often affected the purity of popular elections.

Our grateful thanks are due to an All-merciful Providence, not only for staying the pestilence which, in different forms, has desolated some

of our cities, but for crowning the labors of the husbandman with an abundant harvest, and the nation generally with the blessings of peace and prosperity.

Within a few weeks, the public mind has been deeply affected by the death of Daniel Webster, filling, at his decease, the office of Secretary of State. His associates in the executive government have sincerely sympathized with his family and the public generally on this mournful occasion. His commanding talents, his great political and professional eminence, his well-tryed patriotism, and his long and faithful services, in the most important public trusts, have caused his death to be lamented throughout the country, and have earned for him a lasting place in our history.

In the course of the last summer, considerable anxiety was caused, for a short time, by an official intimation from the government of Great Britain that orders had been given for the protection of the fisheries upon the coasts of the British provinces in North America against the alleged encroachments of the fishing-vessels of the United States and France. The shortness of this notice, and the season of the year, seemed to make it a matter of urgent importance. It was at first apprehended that an increased naval force had been ordered to the fishing-grounds to carry into effect the British interpretation of those provisions in the convention of 1818 in reference to the true intent of which the two governments differ. It was soon discovered that such was not the design of Great Britain; and satisfactory explanations of the real objects of the measure have been given, both here and in London.

The unadjusted difference, however, between the two governments, as to the interpretation of the first article of the convention of 1818, is still a matter of importance. American fishing-vessels, within nine or ten years, have been excluded from waters to which they had free access for twenty-five years after the negotiation of the treaty. In 1845 this exclusion was relaxed so far as concerns the Bay of Fundy; but the just and liberal intention of the home government, in compliance with what we think the true construction of the convention, to open all the other outer bays to our fishermen, was abandoned, in consequence of the opposition of the colonies. Notwithstanding this, the United States have, since the Bay of Fundy was reopened to our fishermen in 1845, pursued the most liberal course toward the colonial fishing interests. By the revenue law of 1846, the duties on colonial fish entering our ports were very greatly reduced, and, by the warehousing act, it is allowed to be entered in bond without payment of duty. In this way, colonial fish has acquired the monopoly of the export trade in our market, and is entering, to some extent, into the home consumption. These facts were among those which increased the sensibility of our fishing interest at the movement in question.

These circumstances, and the incidents above alluded to, have led me to think the moment favorable for a reconsideration of the entire subject of the fisheries on the coasts of the British provinces, with a view to place them upon a more liberal footing of reciprocal privilege. A willingness to meet us in some arrangement of this kind is understood to exist, on the part of Great Britain, with a desire on her part to in-

clude in one comprehensive settlement as well this subject as the commercial intercourse between the United States and the British provinces. I have thought that, whatever arrangements may be made on these two subjects, it is expedient that they should be embraced in separate conventions. The illness and death of the late Secretary of State prevented the commencement of the contemplated negotiation. Pains have been taken to collect the information required for the details of such an arrangement. The subject is attended with considerable difficulty. If it is found practicable to come to an agreement mutually acceptable to the two parties, conventions may be concluded in the course of the present winter. The control of Congress over all the provisions of such an arrangement, affecting the revenue, will of course be reserved.

The affairs of Cuba formed a prominent topic in my last annual message. They remain in an uneasy condition, and a feeling of alarm and irritation on the part of the Cuban authorities appears to exist. This feeling has interfered with the regular commercial intercourse between the United States and the island, and led to some acts of which we have a right to complain. But the Captain-General of Cuba is clothed with no power to treat with foreign governments, nor is he in any degree under the control of the Spanish minister at Washington. Any communication which he may hold with an agent of a foreign power is informal and matter of courtesy. Anxious to put an end to the existing inconveniences, (which seemed to rest on a misconception,) I directed the newly-appointed minister to Mexico to visit Havana, on his way to Vera Cruz. He was respectfully received by the Captain-General, who conferred with him freely on the recent occurrences; but no permanent arrangement was effected.

In the mean time, the refusal of the Captain-General to allow passengers and the mail to be landed in certain cases, for a reason which does not furnish, in the opinion of this government, even a good presumptive ground for such a prohibition, has been made the subject of a serious remonstrance at Madrid; and I have no reason to doubt that due respect will be paid by the government of her Catholic Majesty to the representations which our minister has been instructed to make on the subject.

It is but justice to the Captain-General to add, that his conduct toward the steamers employed to carry the mails of the United States to Havana has, with the exceptions above alluded to, been marked with kindness and liberality, and indicates no general purpose of interfering with the commercial correspondence and intercourse between the island and this country.

Early in the present year, official notes were received from the ministers of France and England, inviting the government of the United States to become a party with Great Britain and France to a tripartite convention, in virtue of which the three powers should severally and collectively disclaim, now and for the future, all intention to obtain possession of the island of Cuba, and should bind themselves to discountenance all attempts to that effect on the part of any power or individual whatever. This invitation has been respectfully declined, for reasons which it would occupy too much space in this communication to state in detail, but which led me to think that the proposed measure

would be of doubtful constitutionality, impolitic, and unavailing. I have, however, in common with several of my predecessors, directed the ministers of France and England to be assured that the United States entertain no designs against Cuba; but that, on the contrary, I should regard its incorporation into the Union at the present time as fraught with serious peril.

Were this island comparatively destitute of inhabitants, or occupied by a kindred race, I should regard it, if voluntarily ceded by Spain, as a most desirable acquisition. But, under existing circumstances, I should look upon its incorporation into our Union as a very hazardous measure. It would bring into the confederacy a population of a different national stock, speaking a different language, and not likely to harmonize with the other members. It would probably affect, in a prejudicial manner, the industrial interests of the South; and it might revive those conflicts of opinion between the different sections of the country which lately shook the Union to its centre, and which have been so happily compromised.

The rejection by the Mexican Congress of the convention which had been concluded between that republic and the United States, for the protection of a transit way across the Isthmus of Tehuantepec, and of the interests of those citizens of the United States who had become proprietors of the rights which Mexico had conferred on one of her own citizens in regard to that transit, has thrown a serious obstacle in the way of the attainment of a very desirable national object. I am still willing to hope that the differences on the subject which exist, or may hereafter arise, between the governments, will be amicably adjusted. This subject, however, has already engaged the attention of the Senate of the United States, and requires no further comment in this communication.

The settlement of the question respecting the port of San Juan de Nicaragua, and of the controversy between the republics of Costa Rica and Nicaragua in regard to their boundaries, was considered indispensable to the commencement of the ship-canal between the two oceans, which was the subject of the convention between the United States and Great Britain of the 19th of April, 1850. Accordingly, a proposition for the same purposes, addressed to the two governments in that quarter, and to the Mosquito Indians, was agreed to in April last by the Secretary of State and the Minister of her Britannic Majesty. Besides the wish to aid in reconciling the differences of the two republics, I engaged in the negotiation from a desire to place the great work of a ship-canal between the two oceans under one jurisdiction, and to establish the important port of San Juan de Nicaragua under the government of a civilized power. The proposition in question was assented to by Costa Rica and the Mosquito Indians. It has not proved equally acceptable to Nicaragua; but it is to be hoped that the further negotiations on the subject which are in train will be carried on in that spirit of conciliation and compromise which ought always to prevail on such occasions, and that they will lead to a satisfactory result.

I have the satisfaction to inform you that the executive government of Venezuela has acknowledged some claims of citizens of the United States, which have for many years past been urged by our chargé

d'affaires at Caraccas. It is hoped that the same sense of justice will actuate the Congress of that republic in providing the means for their payment.

The recent revolution in Buenos Ayres and the confederated States having opened the prospect of an improved state of things in that quarter, the governments of Great Britain and France determined to negotiate with the chief of the new confederacy for the free access of their commerce to the extensive countries watered by the tributaries of the La Plata; and they gave a friendly notice of this purpose to the United States, that we might, if we thought proper, pursue the same course. In compliance with this invitation, our minister at Rio Janeiro, and our chargé d'affaires at Buenos Ayres, have been fully authorized to conclude treaties with the newly-organized confederation, or the States composing it. The delays which have taken place in the formation of the new government have, as yet, prevented the execution of those instructions; but there is every reason to hope that these vast countries will be eventually opened to our commerce.

A treaty of commerce has been concluded between the United States and the oriental republic of Uruguay, which will be laid before the Senate. Should this convention go into operation, it will open to the commercial enterprise of our citizens a country of great extent, and unsurpassed in natural resources, but from which foreign nations have hitherto been almost wholly excluded.

The correspondence of the late Secretary of State with the Peruvian chargé d'affaires relative to the Lobos islands was communicated to Congress toward the close of the last session. Since that time, on further investigation of the subject, the doubts which had been entertained of the title of Peru to those islands have been removed; and I have deemed it just that the temporary wrong which had been unintentionally done her, from want of information, should be repaired by an unreserved acknowledgment of her sovereignty.

I have the satisfaction to inform you that the course pursued by Peru has been creditable to the liberality of her government. Before it was known by her that her title would be acknowledged at Washington, her Minister of Foreign Affairs had authorized our chargé d'affaires at Lima to announce to the American vessels which had gone to the Lobos for guano that the Peruvian government was willing to freight them on its own account. This intention has been carried into effect by the Peruvian minister here, by an arrangement which is believed to be advantageous to the parties in interest.

Our settlements on the shores of the Pacific have already given a great extension, and, in some respects, a new direction, to our commerce in that ocean. A direct and rapidly-increasing intercourse has sprung up with Eastern Asia. The waters of the Northern Pacific, even into the Arctic sea, have of late years been frequented by our whalers. The application of steam to the general purposes of navigation is becoming daily more common, and makes it desirable to obtain fuel, and other necessary supplies, at convenient points on the route between Asia and our Pacific shores. Our unfortunate countrymen who from time to time suffer shipwreck on the coasts of the eastern seas are entitled to protection. Besides these specific objects,

the general prosperity of our States on the Pacific requires that an attempt should be made to open the opposite regions of Asia to a mutually beneficial intercourse. It is obvious that this attempt could be made by no power to so great advantage as by the United States, whose constitutional system excludes every idea of distant colonial dependencies. I have accordingly been led to order an appropriate naval force to Japan, under the command of a discreet and intelligent officer of the highest rank known to our service. He is instructed to endeavor to obtain from the government of that country some relaxation of the inhospitable and anti-social system which it has pursued for about two centuries. He has been directed particularly to remonstrate in the strongest language against the cruel treatment to which our shipwrecked mariners have often been subjected, and to insist that they shall be treated with humanity. He is instructed, however, at the same time, to give that government the amplest assurances that the objects of the United States are such, and such only, as I have indicated, and that the expedition is friendly and peaceful. Notwithstanding the jealousy with which the governments of Eastern Asia regard all overtures from foreigners, I am not without hopes of a beneficial result of the expedition. Should it be crowned with success, the advantages will not be confined to the United States, but, as in the case of China, will be equally enjoyed by all the other maritime powers. I have much satisfaction in stating that in all the steps preparatory to this expedition the government of the United States has been materially aided by the good offices of the King of the Netherlands, the only European power having any commercial relations with Japan.

• In passing from this survey of our foreign relations, I invite the attention of Congress to the condition of that department of the government to which this branch of the public business is intrusted. Our intercourse with foreign powers has of late years greatly increased, both in consequence of our own growth and the introduction of many new States into the family of nations. In this way the Department of State has become overburdened. It has, by the recent establishment of the Department of the Interior, been relieved of some portion of the domestic business. If the residue of the business of that kind—such as the distribution of congressional documents, the keeping, publishing, and distribution of the laws of the United States, the execution of the copyright law, the subject of reprieves and pardons, and some other subjects relating to interior administration—should be transferred from the Department of State, it would unquestionably be for the benefit of the public service. I would also suggest that the building appropriated to the State Department is not fire-proof; that there is reason to think there are defects in its construction, and that the archives of the government in charge of the department, with the precious collections of the manuscript papers of Washington, Jefferson, Hamilton, Madison, and Monroe, are exposed to destruction by fire. A similar remark may be made of the buildings appropriated to the War and Navy Departments.

The condition of the treasury is exhibited in the annual report from that department.

The cash receipts into the treasury for the fiscal year ending the

30th June last, exclusive of trust funds, were forty-nine million seven hundred and twenty-eight thousand three hundred and eighty-six dollars and eighty-nine cents, (\$49,728,386 89,) and the expenditures for the same period, likewise exclusive of trust funds, were forty-six million seven thousand eight hundred and ninety-six dollars and twenty cents, (\$46,007,896 20,) of which nine million four hundred and fifty-five thousand eight hundred and fifteen dollars and eighty-three cents (\$9,455,815 83) was on account of the principal and interest of the public debt, including the last instalment of the indemnity to Mexico, under the treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo; leaving a balance of \$14,632,136 37 in the treasury on the first day of July last. Since this latter period, further purchases of the principal of the public debt have been made to the extent of two million four hundred and fifty-six thousand five hundred and forty-seven dollars and forty-nine cents, (\$2,456,547 49,) and the surplus in the treasury will continue to be applied to that object whenever the stock can be procured within the limits, as to price, authorized by law.

The value of foreign merchandise imported during the last fiscal year was two hundred and seven million two hundred and forty thousand one hundred and one dollars, (\$207,240,101;) and the value of domestic productions exported was one hundred and forty-nine million eight hundred and sixty-one thousand nine hundred and eleven dollars, (\$149,861,911;) besides seventeen million two hundred and four thousand and twenty-six dollars (\$17,204,026) of foreign merchandise exported; making the aggregate of the entire exports one hundred and sixty-seven million sixty-five thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven dollars, (\$167,065,937;) exclusive of the above, there was exported forty-two million five hundred and seven thousand two hundred and eighty-five dollars (\$42,507,285) in specie, and imported from foreign ports five million two hundred and sixty-two thousand six hundred and forty-three dollars, (\$5,262,643.)

In my first annual message to Congress, I called your attention to what seemed to me some defects in the present tariff, and recommended such modifications as in my judgment were best adapted to remedy its evils and promote the prosperity of the country. Nothing has since occurred to change my views on this important question.

Without repeating the arguments contained in my former message, in favor of discriminating, protective duties, I deem it my duty to call your attention to one or two other considerations affecting this subject. The first is, the effect of large importations of foreign goods upon our currency. Most of the gold of California, as fast as it is coined, finds its way directly to Europe in payment for goods purchased. In the second place, as our manufacturing establishments are broken down by competition with foreigners, the capital invested in them is lost, thousands of honest and industrious citizens are thrown out of employment, and the farmer, to that extent, is deprived of a home market for the sale of his surplus produce. In the third place, the destruction of our manufactures leaves the foreigner without competition in our market, and he consequently raises the price of the article sent here for sale, as is now seen in the increased cost of iron imported from England. The prosperity and wealth of every nation must depend upon its

productive industry. The farmer is stimulated to exertion by finding a ready market for his surplus products, and benefited by being able to exchange them, without loss of time or expense of transportation, for the manufactures which his comfort or convenience requires. This is always done to the best advantage where a portion of the community in which he lives is engaged in other pursuits. But most manufactures require an amount of capital and a practical skill which cannot be commanded unless they be protected for a time from ruinous competition from abroad. Hence the necessity of laying those duties upon imported goods which the constitution authorizes for revenue in such a manner as to protect and encourage the labor of our own citizens. Duties, however, should not be fixed at a rate so high as to exclude the foreign article, but should be so graduated as to enable the domestic manufacturer fairly to compete with the foreigner in our own markets, and by this competition to reduce the price of the manufactured article to the consumer to the lowest rate at which it can be produced. This policy would place the mechanic by the side of the farmer, create a mutual interchange of their respective commodities, and thus stimulate the industry of the whole country, and render us independent of foreign nations for the supplies required by the habits or necessities of the people.

Another question, wholly independent of protection, presents itself—and that is, whether the duties levied should be upon the value of the article at the place of shipment, or, where it is practicable, a specific duty, graduated according to quantity, as ascertained by weight or measure. All our duties are at present *ad valorem*. A certain percentage is levied on the price of the goods at the port of shipment in a foreign country. Most commercial nations have found it indispensable, for the purpose of preventing fraud and perjury, to make the duties specific whenever the article is of such a uniform value in weight or measure as to justify such a duty. Legislation should never encourage dishonesty or crime. It is impossible that the revenue officers at the port where the goods are entered and the duties paid should know with certainty what they cost in the foreign country. Yet the law requires that they should levy the duty according to such cost. They are, therefore, compelled to resort to very unsatisfactory evidence to ascertain what that cost was. They take the invoice of the importer, attested by his oath, as the best evidence of which the nature of the case admits. But every one must see that the invoice may be fabricated, and the oath by which it is supported false, by reason of which the dishonest importer pays a part only of the duties which are paid by the honest one, and thus indirectly receives from the treasury of the United States a reward for his fraud and perjury. The reports of the Secretary of the Treasury heretofore made on this subject show conclusively that these frauds have been practised to a great extent. The tendency is to destroy that high moral character for which our merchants have long been distinguished; to defraud the government of its revenue; to break down the honest importer by a dishonest competition; and, finally, to transfer the business of importation to foreign and irresponsible agents, to the great detriment of our own citizens. I therefore again most earnestly recommend the adoption of specific

duties, wherever it is practicable, or a home valuation, to prevent these frauds.

I would also again call your attention to the fact that the present tariff, in some cases, imposes a higher duty upon the raw material imported than upon the article manufactured from it, the consequence of which is that the duty operates to the encouragement of the foreigner and to the discouragement of our own citizens.

For full and detailed information in regard to the general condition of our Indian affairs, I respectfully refer you to the report of the Secretary of the Interior and the accompanying documents.

The Senate not having thought proper to ratify the treaties which had been negotiated with the tribes of Indians in California and Oregon, our relations with them have been left in a very unsatisfactory condition.

In other parts of our territory, particular districts of country have been set apart for the exclusive occupation of the Indians, and their right to the lands within those limits has been acknowledged and respected. But in California and Oregon there has been no recognition by the government of the exclusive right of the Indians to any part of the country. They are, therefore, mere tenants at sufferance, and liable to be driven from place to place at the pleasure of the whites.

The treaties which have been rejected proposed to remedy this evil, by allotting to the different tribes districts of country suitable to their habits of life, and sufficient for their support. This provision, more than any other, it is believed, led to their rejection; and as no substitute for it has been adopted by Congress, it has not been deemed advisable to attempt to enter into new treaties of a permanent character, although no effort has been spared by temporary arrangements to preserve friendly relations with them.

If it be the desire of Congress to remove them from the country altogether, or to assign to them particular districts more remote from the settlements of the whites, it will be proper to set apart by law the territory which they are to occupy, and to provide the means necessary for removing them to it. Justice alike to our own citizens and to the Indians requires the prompt action of Congress on this subject.

The amendments proposed by the Senate to the treaties which were negotiated with the Sioux Indians of Minnesota have been submitted to the tribes who were parties to them, and have received their assent. A large tract of valuable territory has thus been opened for settlement and cultivation, and all danger of collision with these powerful and warlike bands has been happily removed.

The removal of the remnant of the tribe of Seminole Indians from Florida has long been a cherished object of the government, and it is one to which my attention has been steadily directed. Admonished by past experience of the difficulty and cost of the attempt to remove them by military force, resort has been had to conciliatory measures. By the invitation of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, several of the principal chiefs recently visited Washington, and whilst here acknowledged in writing the obligation of their tribe to remove with the least possible delay. Late advices from the special agent of the government represent that they adhere to their promise, and that a council of their people

has been called, to make their preliminary arrangements. A general emigration may, therefore, be confidently expected at an early day.

The report from the General Land Office shows increased activity in its operations. The survey of the northern boundary of Iowa has been completed with unexampled despatch. Within the last year 9,522,953 acres of public land have been surveyed, and 8,032,463 acres brought into market.

In the last fiscal year there were sold.....	1,553,071	acres.
Located with bounty land warrants.....	3,201,314	"
Located with other certificates.....	115,682	"

Making a total of.....	4,870,067	"
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In addition, there were—

Reported under swamp land grants.....	5,219,188	"
For internal improvements, railroads, &c.....	3,025,920	"

Making an aggregate of.....	13,115,175	"
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Being an increase in the amount of lands sold and located under land warrants of 569,220 acres over the previous year.

The whole amount thus sold, located under land warrants, reported under swamp land grants, and selected for internal improvements, exceeds that of the previous year by 3,342,372 acres; and the sales would, without doubt, have been much larger but for the extensive reservations for railroads in Missouri, Mississippi, and Alabama.

For the quarter ending 30th September, 1852, there

were sold.....	243,255	acres.
Located with bounty land warrants.....	1,387,116	"
Located with other certificates.....	15,649	"
Reported under swamp land grants.....	2,485,233	"

Making an aggregate for the quarter of.....	4,131,253	"
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Much the larger portion of the labor of arranging and classifying the returns of the last census has been finished, and it will now devolve upon Congress to make the necessary provision for the publication of the results in such form as shall be deemed best. The apportionment of representation, on the basis of the new census, has been made by the Secretary of the Interior, in conformity with the provisions of law relating to that subject, and the recent elections have been made in accordance with it.

I commend to your favorable regard the suggestion contained in the report of the Secretary of the Interior, that provision be made by law for the publication and distribution, periodically, of an analytical digest of all the patents which have been, or may hereafter be, granted for useful inventions and discoveries, with such descriptions and illustrations as may be necessary to present an intelligible view of their nature and operation. The cost of such publication could easily be defrayed out of the patent fund, and I am persuaded that it could be applied to no object more acceptable to inventors and beneficial to the public at large.

An appropriation of \$100,000 having been made at the last session for the purchase of a suitable site, and for the erection, furnishing, and fitting up of an asylum for the insane of the District of Columbia, and of the army and navy of the United States, the proper measures have been adopted to carry this beneficent purpose into effect.

By the latest advices from the Mexican Boundary Commission, it appears that the survey of the river Gila, from its confluence with the Colorado to its supposed intersection with the western line of New Mexico, has been completed. The survey of the Rio Grande has also been finished from the point agreed on by the commissioners as "the point where it strikes the southern boundary of New Mexico" to a point one hundred and thirty-five miles below Eagle Pass, which is about two-thirds of the distance along the course of the river to its mouth.

The appropriation which was made at the last session of Congress for the continuation of the survey is subject to the following proviso:

"*Provided*, That no part of this appropriation shall be used or expended until it shall be made satisfactorily to appear to the President of the United States that the southern boundary of New Mexico is not established by the commissioner and surveyor of the United States farther north of the town called 'Paso' than the same is laid down in Disturnell's map, which is added to the treaty."

My attention was drawn to this subject by a report from the Department of the Interior, which reviewed all the facts of the case, and submitted for my decision the question whether, under existing circumstances, any part of the appropriation could be lawfully used or expended for the further prosecution of the work. After a careful consideration of the subject, I came to the conclusion that it could not, and so informed the head of that department. Orders were immediately issued by him to the commissioner and surveyor to make no further requisitions on the department, as they could not be paid, and to discontinue all operations on the southern line of New Mexico. But as the department had no exact information as to the amount of provisions and money which remained unexpended in the hands of the commissioner and surveyor, it was left discretionary with them to continue the survey down the Rio Grande as far as the means at their disposal would enable them, or at once to disband the commission. A special messenger has since arrived from the officer in charge of the survey on the river, with information that the funds subject to his control were exhausted, and that the officers and others employed in the service were destitute alike of the means of prosecuting the work and of returning to their homes.

The object of the proviso was doubtless to arrest the survey of the southern and western lines of New Mexico, in regard to which different opinions have been expressed; for it is hardly to be supposed that there could be any objection to that part of the line which extends along the channel of the Rio Grande. But the terms of the law are so broad as to forbid the use of any part of the money for the prosecution of the work, or even for the payment to the officers and agents of the arrearages of pay which are justly due to them.

I earnestly invite your prompt attention to this subject, and recom-

mend a modification of the terms of the proviso, so as to enable the department to use as much of the appropriation as will be necessary to discharge the existing obligations of the government, and to complete the survey of the Rio Grande to its mouth.

It will also be proper to make further provision by law for the fulfilment of our treaty with Mexico, for running and marking the residue of the boundary line between the two countries.

Permit me to invite your particular attention to the interests of the District of Columbia, which are confided by the constitution to your peculiar care.

Among the measures which seem to me of the greatest importance to its prosperity, are the introduction of a copious supply of water into the city of Washington, and the construction of suitable bridges across the Potomac, to replace those which were destroyed by high water in the early part of the present year.

At the last session of Congress an appropriation was made to defray the cost of the surveys necessary for determining the best means of affording an unfailing supply of good and wholesome water. Some progress has been made in the survey, and as soon as it is completed the result will be laid before you.

Further appropriations will also be necessary for grading and paving the streets and avenues, and enclosing and embellishing the public grounds within the city of Washington.

I commend all these objects, together with the charitable institutions of the District, to your favorable regard.

Every effort has been made to protect our frontier, and that of the adjoining Mexican States from the incursions of the Indian tribes. Of about 11,000 men of which the army is composed, nearly 8,000 are employed in the defence of the newly-acquired territory, (including Texas,) and of emigrants proceeding thereto. I am gratified to say that these efforts have been unusually successful. With the exception of some partial outbreaks in California and Oregon, and occasional depredations on a portion of the Rio Grande, owing, it is believed, to the disturbed state of that border region, the inroads of the Indians have been effectually restrained.

Experience has shown, however, that whenever the two races are brought into contact, collisions will inevitably occur. To prevent these collisions the United States have generally set apart portions of their territory for the exclusive occupation of the Indian tribes. A difficulty occurs, however, in the application of this policy to Texas. By the terms of the compact by which that State was admitted into the Union, she retained the ownership of all the vacant lands within her limits. The government of that State, it is understood, has assigned no portion of her territory to the Indians; but, as fast as her settlements advance, lays it off into counties, and proceeds to survey and sell it. This policy manifestly tends, not only to alarm and irritate the Indians, but to compel them to resort to plunder for subsistence. It also deprives this government of that influence and control over them without which no durable peace can ever exist between them and the whites. I trust, therefore, that a due regard for her own interests, apart from considerations of humanity and justice, will induce

that State to assign a small portion of her vast domain for the provisional occupancy of the small remnants of tribes within her borders, subject, of course, to her ownership and eventual jurisdiction. If she should fail to do this, the fulfilment of our treaty stipulations with Mexico, and our duty to the Indians themselves, will, it is feared, become a subject of serious embarrassment to the government. It is hoped, however, that a timely and just provision by Texas may avert this evil.

No appropriations for fortifications were made at the two last sessions of Congress. The cause of this omission is, probably, to be found in a growing belief that the system of fortifications adopted in 1816, and heretofore acted on, requires revision.

The subject certainly deserves full and careful investigation; but it should not be delayed longer than can be avoided. In the mean time there are certain works which have been commenced—some of them nearly completed—designed to protect our principal seaports from Boston to New Orleans, and a few other important points. In regard to the necessity for these works, it is believed that little difference of opinion exists among military men. I therefore recommend that the appropriations necessary to prosecute them be made.

I invite your attention to the remarks on this subject, and on others connected with his department, contained in the accompanying report of the Secretary of War.

Measures have been taken to carry into effect the law of the last session making provision for the improvement of certain rivers and harbors, and it is believed that the arrangements made for that purpose will combine efficiency with economy. Owing chiefly to the advanced season when the act was passed, little has yet been done in regard to many of the works beyond making the necessary preparations. With respect to a few of the improvements, the sums already appropriated will suffice to complete them; but most of them will require additional appropriations. I trust that these appropriations will be made, and that this wise and beneficent policy so auspiciously resumed, will be continued. Great care should be taken, however, to commence no work which is not of sufficient importance to the commerce of the country to be viewed as national in its character. But works which have been commenced should not be discontinued until completed, as otherwise the sums expended will, in most cases, be lost.

The report from the Navy Department will inform you of the prosperous condition of the branch of the public service committed to its charge. It presents to your consideration many topics and suggestions of which I ask your approval. It exhibits an unusual degree of activity in the operations of the department during the past year. The preparations for the Japan expedition, to which I have already alluded; the arrangements made for the exploration and survey of the China Seas, the Northern Pacific, and Behring's Straits; the incipient measures taken towards a reconnoissance of the continent of Africa eastward of Liberia; the preparation for an early examination of the tributaries of the river La Plata, which a recent decree of the provisional chief of the Argentine confederation, has opened to navigation—all these enterprises, and the means by which they are proposed to be accomplished,

have commanded my full approbation, and I have no doubt will be productive of most useful results.

Two officers of the navy were heretofore instructed to explore the whole extent of the Amazon river from the confines of Peru to its mouth. The return of one of them has placed in the possession of the government an interesting and valuable account of the character and resources of a country abounding in the materials of commerce, and which, if opened to the industry of the world, will prove an inexhaustible fund of wealth. The report of this exploration will be communicated to you as soon as it is completed.

Among other subjects offered to your notice by the Secretary of the Navy, I select for special commendation, in view of its connexion with the interests of the navy, the plan submitted by him for the establishment of a permanent corps of seamen, and the suggestions he has presented for the reorganization of the Naval Academy.

In reference to the first of these, I take occasion to say that I think it will greatly improve the efficiency of the service, and that I regard it as still more entitled to favor for the salutary influence it must exert upon the naval discipline, now greatly disturbed by the increasing spirit of insubordination, resulting from our present system. The plan proposed for the organization of the seamen furnishes a judicious substitute for the law of September, 1850, abolishing corporal punishment, and satisfactorily sustains the policy of that act, under conditions well adapted to maintain the authority of command and the order and security of our ships. It is believed that any change which proposes permanently to dispense with this mode of punishment should be preceded by a system of enlistment which shall supply the navy with seamen of the most meritorious class, whose good deportment and pride of character may preclude all occasion for a resort to penalties of a harsh or degrading nature. The safety of a ship and her crew is often dependent upon immediate obedience to a command, and the authority to enforce it must be equally ready. The arrest of a refractory seaman, in such moments, not only deprives the ship of indispensable aid, but imposes a necessity for double service on others, whose fidelity to their duties may be relied upon in such an emergency. The exposure to this increased and arduous labor, since the passage of the act of 1850, has already had, to a most observable and injurious extent, the effect of preventing the enlistment of the best seamen in the navy. The plan now suggested is designed to promote a condition of service in which this objection will no longer exist. The details of this plan may be established in great part, if not altogether, by the Executive, under the authority of existing laws; but I have thought it proper, in accordance with the suggestion of the Secretary of the Navy, to submit it to your approval.

The establishment of a corps of apprentices for the navy, or boys to be enlisted until they become of age, and to be employed under such regulations as the Navy Department may devise, as proposed in the report, I cordially approve, and commend to your consideration; and I also concur in the suggestion that this system for the early training of seamen may be most usefully ingrafted upon the service of our merchant marine.

The other proposition of the report to which I have referred—the reorganization of the Naval Academy—I recommend to your attention as a project worthy of your encouragement and support. The valuable services already rendered by this institution entitle it to the continuance of your fostering care.

Your attention is respectfully called to the report of the Postmaster General for the detailed operation of his department during the last fiscal year, from which it will be seen that the receipts from postages for that time were less by \$1,431,696 than for the preceding fiscal year, being a decrease of about 23 per cent.

This diminution is attributable to the reduction in the rates of postage made by the act of March 3, 1851, which reduction took effect at the commencement of the last fiscal year.

Although, in its operation during the last year, the act referred to has not fulfilled the predictions of its friends, by increasing the correspondence of the country in proportion to the reduction of postage, I should, nevertheless, question the policy of returning to higher rates. Experience warrants the expectation that, as the community becomes accustomed to cheap postage, correspondence will increase. It is believed that from this cause, and the rapid growth of the country in population and business, the receipts of the department must ultimately exceed its expenses, and that the country may safely rely upon the continuance of the present cheap rate of postage.

In former messages I have, among other things, respectfully recommended to the consideration of Congress the propriety and necessity of further legislation for the protection and punishment of foreign consuls residing in the United States; to revive, with certain modifications, the act of 10th March, 1838, to restrain unlawful military expeditions against the inhabitants of conterminous States or territories; for the preservation and protection from mutilation or theft of the papers, records, and archives of the nation; for authorizing the surplus revenue to be applied to the payment of the public debt in advance of the time when it will become due; for the establishment of land offices for the sale of the public lands in California and the Territory of Oregon; for the construction of a road from the Mississippi valley to the Pacific ocean; for the establishment of a bureau of agriculture for the promotion of that interest—perhaps the most important in the country; for the prevention of frauds upon the government in applications for pensions and bounty lands; for the establishment of a uniform fee bill, prescribing a specific compensation for every service required of clerks, district attorneys, and marshals; for authorizing an additional regiment of mounted men, for the defence of our frontiers against the Indians, and for fulfilling our treaty stipulations with Mexico to defend her citizens against the Indians “with equal diligence and energy as our own;” for determining the relative rank between the naval and civil officers in our public ships, and between the officers of the army and navy in the various grades of each; for reorganizing the naval establishment by fixing the number of officers in each grade, and providing for a retired list upon reduced pay of those unfit for active duty; for prescribing and regulating punishments in the navy; for the appointment of a commission to revise the public statutes of the United States,

by arranging them in order, supplying deficiencies, correcting incongruities, simplifying their language, and reporting them to Congress for its final action; and for the establishment of a commission to adjudicate and settle private claims against the United States. I am not aware, however, that any of these subjects have been finally acted upon by Congress. Without repeating the reasons for legislation on these subjects which have been assigned in former messages, I respectfully recommend them again to your favorable consideration.

I think it due to the several executive departments of this government to bear testimony to the efficiency and integrity with which they are conducted. With all the careful superintendence which it is possible for the heads of those departments to exercise, still the due administration and guardianship of the public money must very much depend on the vigilance, intelligence, and fidelity of the subordinate officers and clerks, and especially on those intrusted with the settlement and adjustment of claims and accounts. I am gratified to believe that they have generally performed their duties faithfully and well. They are appointed to guard the approaches to the public treasury, and they occupy positions that expose them to all the temptations and seductions which the cupidity of speculators and fraudulent claimants can prompt them to employ. It will be but a wise precaution to protect the government against that source of mischief and corruption, as far as it can be done, by the enactment of all proper legal penalties. The laws, in this respect, are supposed to be defective, and I therefore deem it my duty to call your attention to the subject, and to recommend that provision be made by law for the punishment not only of those who shall accept bribes, but also of those who shall either promise, give, or offer to give to any of those officers or clerks a bribe or reward touching or relating to any matter of their official action or duty.

It has been the uniform policy of this government, from its foundation to the present day, to abstain from all interference in the domestic affairs of other nations. The consequence has been, that while the nations of Europe have been engaged in desolating wars, our country has pursued its peaceful course to unexampled prosperity and happiness. The wars in which we have been compelled to engage, in defence of the rights and honor of the country, have been fortunately of short duration. During the terrific contest of nation against nation, which succeeded the French revolution, we were enabled by the wisdom and firmness of President Washington to maintain our neutrality. While other nations were drawn into this wide-sweeping whirlpool, we sat quiet and unmoved upon our own shores. While the flower of their numerous armies was wasted by disease or perished by hundreds of thousands upon the battle-field, the youth of this favored land were permitted to enjoy the blessings of peace beneath the paternal roof. While the States of Europe incurred enormous debts, under the burden of which their subjects still groan, and which must absorb no small part of the product of the honest industry of those countries for generations to come, the United States have once been enabled to exhibit the proud spectacle of a nation free from public debt; and, if permitted to pursue our prosperous way for a few years longer in peace, we may do the same again.

But it is now said by some that this policy must be changed. Europe is no longer separated from us by a voyage of months, but steam navigation has brought her within a few days' sail of our shores. We see more of her movements, and take a deeper interest in her controversies. Although no one proposes that we should join the fraternity of potentates who have for ages lavished the blood and treasure of their subjects in maintaining "the balance of power," yet it is said that we ought to interfere between contending sovereigns and their subjects, for the purpose of overthrowing the monarchies of Europe and establishing in their place republican institutions. It is alleged that we have heretofore pursued a different course from a sense of our weakness, but that now our conscious strength dictates a change of policy, and that it is consequently our duty to mingle in these contests and aid those who are struggling for liberty.

This is a most seductive but dangerous appeal to the generous sympathies of freemen. Enjoying, as we do, the blessings of a free government, there is no man who has an American heart that would not rejoice to see these blessings extended to all other nations. We cannot witness the struggle between the oppressed and his oppressor anywhere without the deepest sympathy for the former, and the most anxious desire for his triumph. Nevertheless, is it prudent or is it wise to involve ourselves in these foreign wars? Is it indeed true that we have heretofore refrained from doing so merely from the degrading motive of a conscious weakness? For the honor of the patriots who have gone before us, I cannot admit it. Men of the revolution who drew the sword against the oppressions of the mother country, and pledged to Heaven "their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor" to maintain their freedom, could never have been actuated by so unworthy a motive. They knew no weakness or fear where right or duty pointed the way, and it is a libel upon their fair fame for us, while we enjoy the blessings for which they so nobly fought and bled, to insinuate it. The truth is, that the course which they pursued was dictated by a stern sense of international justice, by a statesmanlike prudence, and a far-seeing wisdom, looking not merely to the present necessities but to the permanent safety and interest of the country. They knew that the world is governed less by sympathy than by reason and force; that it was not possible for this nation to become a "propagandist" of free principles without arraying against it the combined powers of Europe; and that the result was more likely to be the overthrow of republican liberty here than its establishment there. History has been written in vain for those who can doubt this. France had no sooner established a republican form of government than she manifested a desire to force its blessings on all the world. Her own historian informs us that, hearing of some petty acts of tyranny in a neighboring principality, "The National Convention declared that she would afford succor and fraternity to all nations who wished to recover their liberty; and she gave it in charge to the executive power to give orders to the generals of the French armies to aid all citizens who might have been or should be oppressed in the cause of liberty." Here was the false step which led to her subsequent misfortunes. She soon found herself involved in war with all the rest of Europe. In less than ten years her govern-

ment was changed from a republic to an empire; and, finally, after shedding rivers of blood, foreign powers restored her exiled dynasty, and exhausted Europe sought peace and repose in the unquestioned ascendancy of monarchical principles. Let us learn wisdom from her example. Let us remember that revolutions do not always establish freedom. Our own free institutions were not the offspring of our revolution. They existed before. They were planted in the free charters of self-government under which the English colonies grew up, and our revolution only freed us from the dominion of a foreign power, whose government was at variance with those institutions. But European nations have had no such training for self-government, and every effort to establish it by bloody revolutions has been, and must, without that preparation, continue to be a failure. Liberty, unregulated by law, degenerates into anarchy, which soon becomes the most horrid of all despotisms. Our policy is wisely to govern ourselves, and thereby to set such an example of national justice, prosperity, and true glory, as shall teach to all nations the blessings of self-government, and the unparalleled enterprise and success of a free people.

We live in an age of progress, and ours is emphatically a country of progress. Within the last half-century the number of States in this Union has nearly doubled, the population has almost quadrupled, and our boundaries have been extended from the Mississippi to the Pacific. Our territory is chequered over with railroads, and furrowed with canals. The inventive talent of our country is excited to the highest pitch, and the numerous applications for patents for valuable improvements distinguish this age and this people from all others. The genius of one American has enabled our commerce to move against wind and tide, and that of another has annihilated distance in the transmission of intelligence. The whole country is full of enterprise. Our common schools are diffusing intelligence among the people, and our industry is fast accumulating the comforts and luxuries of life. This is in part owing to our peculiar position, to our fertile soil, and comparatively sparse population; but much of it is also owing to the popular institutions under which we live, to the freedom which every man feels to engage in any useful pursuit according to his taste or inclination, and to the entire confidence that his person and property will be protected by the laws. But, whatever may be the cause of this unparalleled growth in population, intelligence, and wealth, one thing is clear—that the government must keep pace with the progress of the people. It must participate in their spirit of enterprise, and while it exacts obedience to the laws, and restrains all unauthorized invasions of the rights of neighboring States, it should foster and protect home industry, and lend its powerful strength to the improvement of such means of intercommunication as are necessary to promote our internal commerce and strengthen the ties which bind us together as a people.

It is not strange, however much it may be regretted, that such an exuberance of enterprise should cause some individuals to mistake change for progress, and the invasion of the rights of others for national prowess and glory. The former are constantly agitating for some change in the organic law, or urging new and untried theories of human rights. The latter are ever ready to engage in any wild crusade against

a neighboring people, regardless of the justice of the enterprise, and without looking at the fatal consequences to ourselves and to the cause of popular government. Such expeditions, however, are often stimulated by mercenary individuals, who expect to share the plunder or profit of the enterprise, without exposing themselves to danger, and are led on by some irresponsible foreigner, who abuses the hospitality of our own government, by seducing the young and ignorant to join in his scheme of personal ambition or revenge, under the false and delusive pretence of extending the area of freedom. These reprehensible aggressions but retard the true progress of our nation, and tarnish its fair fame. They should, therefore, receive the indignant frowns of every good citizen who sincerely loves his country and takes a pride in its prosperity and honor.

Our constitution, though not perfect, is doubtless the best that ever was formed. Therefore, let every proposition to change it be well weighed, and, if found beneficial, cautiously adopted. Every patriot will rejoice to see its authority so exerted as to advance the prosperity and honor of the nation, whilst he will watch with jealousy any attempt to mutilate this charter of our liberties, or pervert its powers to acts of aggression or injustice. Thus shall conservatism and progress blend their harmonious action in preserving the form and spirit of the constitution, and at the same time carry forward the great improvements of the country, with a rapidity and energy which freemen only can display.

In closing this, my last annual communication, permit me, fellow-citizens, to congratulate you on the prosperous condition of our beloved country. Abroad its relations with all foreign powers are friendly, its rights are respected, and its high place in the family of nations cheerfully recognised. At home we enjoy an amount of happiness, public and private, which has probably never fallen to the lot of any other people. Besides affording to our own citizens a degree of prosperity, of which on so large a scale I know of no other instance, our country is annually affording a refuge and a home to multitudes, altogether without example, from the Old World.

We owe these blessings, under Heaven, to the happy constitution and government which were bequeathed to us by our fathers, and which it is our sacred duty to transmit in all their integrity to our children. We must all consider it a great distinction and privilege to have been chosen by the people to bear a part in the administration of such a government. Called by an unexpected dispensation to its highest trust at a season of embarrassment and alarm, I entered upon its arduous duties with extreme diffidence. I claim only to have discharged them to the best of an humble ability, with a single eye to the public good; and it is with devout gratitude, in retiring from office, that I leave the country in a state of peace and prosperity.

MILLARD FILLMORE.

WASHINGTON, *December 6, 1852.*

Mr. George W. Jones moved that the said message and accompanying documents be committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union and printed, and that fifteen thousand

extra copies of the same, with the accompanying documents, be also printed.

Pending which,

Mr. Weightman moved to amend the same by adding thereto the following, viz: "And that five thousand copies of the President's message, without the accompanying documents, be printed in the Spanish language."

After debate, and pending the question thereon,

On motion of Mr. Smart,

At 3 o'clock and 20 minutes p. m. the House adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock m.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1852.

Several other members appeared and took their seats, viz:

From the State of Vermont—Ahiman L. Miner.

From the State of New York—John G. Floyd, Emanuel B. Hart, Joseph Russell, and Frederick S. Martin.

From the State of New Jersey—Rodman M. Price.

From the State of Pennsylvania—John Allison.

From the State of Georgia—James Johnson and Elijah W. Chastain.

From the State of Alabama—James Abercrombie, Sampson W. Harris, Alexander White, and George S. Houston.

From the State of Ohio—Alfred P. Edgerton.

From the State of Kentucky—John C. Breckenridge.

From the State of Tennessee—William M. Churchwell and William H. Polk.

From the State of Arkansas—Robert W. Johnson.

From the State of Texas—Volney E. Howard.

From the State of Florida—E. Carrington Cabell.

From the State of California—Joseph W. McCorkle.

The following notices were given, under the rule of motions, for leave to introduce bills, viz:

By Mr. Stanly: A bill to pay the fourth instalment of the deposits of the public money, directed to be made, under the provision of the act of June 23, 1836, to the several States entitled to the same, &c.

By Mr. Ewing: A bill affecting the choice of electors for the Presidency and Vice Presidency.

By Mr. Bocock: A bill for the relief of the Virginia and Tennessee railroad, and of the South Side railroad.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have concurred in the resolution of this House, providing for the election of Chaplains; and have elected Rev. C. M. Butler Chaplain, on the part of the Senate.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Alexander H. Stephens,

Ordered, That the standing committees of this House be now appointed by the Speaker, according to the rules and orders of the House.

Whereupon,

The Speaker announced the following as the standing committees for the present session, viz :

Committee of Elections.—Mr. William S. Ashe, of North Carolina; Mr. Christopher H. Williams, of Tennessee; Mr. William T. Hamilton, of Maryland; Mr. Abr'm M. Schermerhorn, of New York; Mr. John S. Caskie, of Virginia; Mr. Presley Ewing, of Kentucky; Mr. George T. Davis, of Massachusetts; Mr. James Gamble, of Pennsylvania; and Mr. Nathan T. Stratton, of New Jersey.

Committee of Ways and Means.—Mr. George S. Houston, of Alabama; Mr. George W. Jones, of Tennessee; Mr. Edward Stanly, of North Carolina; Mr. Harry Hibbard, of New Hampshire; Mr. James Brooks, of New York; Mr. J. Glancy Jones, of Pennsylvania; Mr. William Appleton, of Massachusetts; Mr. Cyrus L. Dunham, of Indiana; and Mr. John S. Phelps, of Missouri.

Committee of Claims.—Mr. John R. J. Daniel, of North Carolina; Mr. Alfred P. Edgerton, of Ohio; Mr. Richard I. Bowie, of Maryland; Mr. Origen S. Seymour, of Connecticut; Mr. Chauncey F. Cleveland, of Connecticut; Mr. William A. Sackett, of New York; Mr. Carlton B. Curtis, of Pennsylvania; Mr. Gilchrist Porter, of Missouri; and Mr. Daniel Mace, of Indiana.

Committee on Commerce.—Mr. David L. Seymour, of New York; Mr. Andrew Johnson, of Tennessee; Mr. Alexander H. Stephens, of Georgia; Mr. Thomas J. D. Fuller, of Maine; Mr. James H. Duncan, of Massachusetts; Mr. John Robbins, jr., of Pennsylvania; Mr. Louis St. Martin, of Louisiana; Mr. William Aiken, of South Carolina; and Mr. Thomas Y. Walsh, of Maryland.

Committee on Public Lands.—Mr. Willard P. Hall, of Missouri; Mr. Williamson R. W. Cobb, of Alabama; Mr. Henry Bennett, of New York; Mr. James L. Orr, of South Carolina; Mr. Albert G. Watkins, of Tennessee; Mr. John D. Freeman, of Mississippi; Mr. Henry D. Moore, of Pennsylvania; Mr. Bernhart Henn, of Iowa; and Mr. Joseph W. McCorkle, of California.

Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.—Mr. Edson B. Olds, of Ohio; Mr. Alexander G. Penn, of Louisiana; Mr. William Cullom, of Tennessee; Mr. Paulus Powell, of Virginia; Mr. John L. Schoolcraft, of New York; Mr. Richardson Scurry, of Texas; Mr. Ben. Edwards Grey, of Kentucky; Mr. Edward C. Marshall, of California; and Mr. Lincoln Clark, of Iowa.

Committee for the District of Columbia.—Mr. Orlando B. Ficklin, of Illinois; Mr. Thomas H. Averett, of Virginia; Mr. William Preston, of Kentucky; Mr. Edward Hammond, of Maryland; Mr. Charles Allen, of Massachusetts; Mr. Junius Hillyer, of Georgia; Mr. Hiram Bell, of Ohio; Mr. Alexander H. Buell, of New York; and Mr. Daniel Mace, of Indiana.

Committee on the Judiciary.—Mr. James X. McLanahan, of Pennsylvania; Mr. Richard K. Meade, of Virginia; Mr. David Outlaw, of North Carolina; Mr. Abraham W. Venable, of North Carolina; Mr. Isham G. Harris, of Tennessee; Mr. James Meacham, of Vermont; Mr. John Bragg, of Alabama; Mr. Samuel W. Parker, of Indiana; and Mr. Preston King, of New York.

Committee on Revolutionary Claims.—Mr. Moses McDonald, of Maine; Mr. James F. Strother, of Virginia; Mr. James M. Gaylord, of Ohio; Mr. Henry M. Fuller, of Pennsylvania; Mr. John Letcher, of Virginia; Mr. Charles Murphy, of Georgia; Mr. Richard Yates, of Illinois; Mr. Gilbert Dean, of New York; and Mr. John McQueen, of South Carolina.

Committee on Public Expenditures.—Mr. Charles Sweetser, of Ohio; Mr. Marius Schoonmaker, of New York; Mr. Nathan T. Stratton, of New Jersey; Mr. John Letcher, of Virginia; Mr. Thomas M. Howe, of Pennsylvania; Mr. James T. Morehead, of North Carolina; Mr. Leander Babcock, of New York; Mr. Thomas Campbell, of Illinois; and Mr. John G. Davis, of Indiana.

Committee on Private Land Claims.—Mr. Timothy Jenkins, of New York; Mr. Sherrard Clemens, of Virginia; Mr. James Abercrombie, of Alabama; Mr. John L. Dawson, of Pennsylvania; Mr. Lewis D. Campbell, of Ohio; Mr. Benjamin D. Nabers, of Mississippi; J. Aristide Landry, of Louisiana; Mr. William W. Snow, of New York; and Mr. John G. Miller, of Missouri.

Committee on Manufactures.—Mr. James M. H. Beale, of Virginia; Mr. Thomas B. Florence, of Pennsylvania; Mr. Isaac Reed, of Maine; Mr. Chauncey F. Cleveland, of Connecticut; Mr. Addison White, of Kentucky; Mr. William Murray, of New York; Mr. Jared Perkins, of New Hampshire; Mr. Frederick W. Green, of Ohio; and Mr. Emanuel B. Hart, of New York.

Committee on Agriculture.—Mr. John G. Floyd, of New York; Mr. Fayette McMullen, of Virginia; Mr. Alfred Dockery, of North Carolina; Mr. Joseph Cable, of Ohio; Mr. Charles Skelton, of New Jersey; Mr. Samuel Brenton, of Indiana; Mr. Eben Newton, of Ohio; Mr. James Duane Doty, of Wisconsin; and Mr. John McNair, of Pennsylvania.

Committee on Indian Affairs.—Mr. Robert W. Johnson, of Arkansas; Mr. Volney E. Howard, of Texas; Mr. George Briggs, of New York; Mr. Joseph W. Jackson, of Georgia; Mr. James L. Conger, of Michigan; Mr. Graham N. Fitch, of Indiana; Mr. Joseph P. Caldwell, of North Carolina; Mr. Edward C. Marshall, of California; and Mr. Charles Durkee, of Wisconsin.

Committee on Military Affairs.—Mr. William H. Bissell, of Illinois; Mr. Meredith P. Gentry, of Tennessee; Mr. Willis A. Gorman, of Indiana; Mr. Alexander Evans, of Maryland; Mr. Ephraim K. Smart, of Maine; Mr. Thaddeus Stevens, of Pennsylvania; Mr. John A. Wilcox, of Mississippi; Mr. Solomon G. Haven, of New York; and Mr. Charles J. Faulkner, of Virginia.

Committee on Militia.—Mr. Charles H. Peaslee, of New Hampshire; Mr. John H. Savage, of Tennessee; Mr. George G. King, of Rhode Island; Mr. John G. Davis, of Indiana; Mr. William F. Hunter, of Ohio; Mr. William Hebard, of Vermont; Mr. Elijah W. Chastain, of Georgia; Mr. William T. Ward, of Kentucky; and Mr. Alfred Gilmore, of Pennsylvania.

Committee on Naval Affairs.—Mr. Frederick P. Stanton, of Tennessee; Mr. Thomas S. Bocock, of Virginia; Mr. Lorenzo Burrows, of New York; Mr. Sampson W. Harris, of Alabama; Mr. E. Carrington Cabell, of Florida; Mr. Ebenezer J. Penniman, of Michigan; Mr. Isaac Wildrick,

of New Jersey; Mr. Robert Goodenow, of Maine; and Mr. Thomas B. Florence, of Pennsylvania.

Committee on Foreign Affairs.—Mr. Thomas H. Bayly, of Virginia; Mr. Joseph A. Woodward, of South Carolina; Mr. Robert Toombs, of Georgia; Mr. William H. Polk, of Tennessee; Mr. John L. Taylor, of Ohio; Mr. John Appleton, of Maine; Mr. Colin M. Ingersoll, of Connecticut; Mr. Joseph R. Chandler, of Pennsylvania; and Mr. John C. Breckenridge, of Kentucky.

Committee on the Territories.—Mr. William A. Richardson, of Illinois; Mr. Alexander R. Holladay, of Virginia; Mr. Thomas L. Clingman, of North Carolina; Mr. James W. Stone, of Kentucky; Mr. Joshua R. Giddings, of Ohio; Mr. David J. Bailey, of Georgia; Mr. Zeno Scudder, of Massachusetts; Mr. Charles E. Stuart, of Michigan; and Mr. James Lockhart, of Indiana.

Committee on Revolutionary Pensions.—Mr. John S. Millson, of Virginia; Mr. Joseph Russell, of New York; Mr. Amos Tuck, of New Hampshire; Mr. Norton S. Townshend, of Ohio; Mr. George H. Brown, of New Jersey; Mr. William M. Churchwell, of Tennessee; Mr. Joseph S. Cottman, of Maryland; Mr. John Z. Goodrich, of Massachusetts; and Mr. Willis Allen, of Illinois.

Committee on Invalid Pensions.—Mr. Isham G. Harris, of Tennessee; Mr. Rodman M. Price, of New Jersey; Mr. Frederick S. Martin, of New York; Mr. Richard S. Molony, of Illinois; Mr. Ben. C. Eastman, of Wisconsin; Mr. John Moore, of Louisiana; Mr. Joseph H. Kuhns, of Pennsylvania; Mr. Daniel T. Jones, of New York; and Mr. Charles Chapman, of Connecticut.

Committee on Roads and Canals.—Mr. John L. Robinson, of Indiana; Mr. William F. Colcock, of South Carolina; Mr. John W. Howe, of Pennsylvania; Mr. John C. Mason, of Kentucky; Mr. Benjamin Stanton, of Ohio; Mr. Emanuel B. Hart, of New York; Mr. Charles J. Faulkner, of Virginia; Mr. Josiah Sutherland, of New York; and Mr. James Johnson, of Georgia.

Committee on Patents.—Mr. David K. Cartter, of Ohio; Mr. Milo M. Dimmick, of Pennsylvania; Mr. William T. Ward, of Kentucky; Mr. Benjamin B. Thurston, of Rhode Island; and Mr. Alexander White, of Alabama.

Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.—Mr. Richard H. Stanton, of Kentucky; Mr. Henry A. Edmundson, of Virginia; Mr. Richard I. Bowie, of Maryland; Mr. James Duane Doty, of Wisconsin; and Mr. John H. Boyd, of New York.

Committee on Revisal and Unfinished Business.—Mr. Williamson R. Cobb, of Alabama; Mr. Thomas Y. How, jr., of New York; Mr. Thomas M. Bibighaus, of Pennsylvania; Mr. George H. Busby, of Ohio; and Mr. Israel Washburn, jr., of Maine.

Committee on Accounts.—Mr. John C. Mason, of Kentucky; Mr. John A. Morrison, of Pennsylvania; Mr. John Welch, of Ohio; Mr. Reuben Robie, of New York; and Mr. James H. Duncan, of Massachusetts.

Committee on Mileage.—Mr. Thomas A. Hendricks, of Indiana; Mr. John D. Freeman, of Mississippi; Mr. J. H. Hobart Haws, of New York; Mr. Ab'm P. Stephens, of New York; and Mr. John Allison, of Pennsylvania.

Committee on Engravings.—Mr. George Read Riddle, of Delaware; Mr. Ahinran L. Miner, of Vermont; and Mr. Timothy Jenkins, of New York.

Joint Committee on the Library of Congress.—Mr. Joseph R. Chandler, of Pennsylvania; Mr. Joseph A. Woodward, of South Carolina; and Mr. Horace Mann, of Massachusetts.

Committee on Enrolled Bills.—Mr. Isaac Wildrick, of New Jersey; and Mr. Nelson Barrere, of Ohio.

Joint Committee on Printing.—Mr. Willis A. Gorman, of Indiana; Mr. Solomon G. Haven, of New York; and Mr. Richard H. Stanton, of Kentucky.

The following committees, appointed at the last session, hold over under the 105th rule.

Committee on Expenditures in the State Department.—Mr. Charles E. Stuart, of Michigan; Mr. William S. Ashe, of North Carolina; Mr. John Wells, of New York; Mr. Thompson Campbell, of Illinois; and Mr. Alexander Harper, of Ohio.

Committee on Expenditures in the Treasury Department.—Mr. Benjamin B. Thurston, of Rhode Island; Mr. Thomas A. Hendricks, of Indiana; Mr. Henry S. Walbridge, of New York; Mr. Galusha A. Grow, of Pennsylvania; and Mr. John Allison, of Pennsylvania.

Committee on Expenditures in the War Department.—Mr. Milo M. Dimmick, of Pennsylvania; Mr. Willard Ives, of New York; Mr. Obadiah Bowne, of New York; Mr. Andrew Parker, of Pennsylvania; and Mr. Elijah W. Chastain, of Georgia.

Committee on Expenditures in the Navy Department.—Mr. Fayette McMullen, of Virginia; Mr. Sampson W. Harris, of Alabama; Mr. Jerediah Horsford, of New York; Mr. Thomas B. Florence, of Pennsylvania; and Mr. E. Garrington Cabell, of Florida.

Committee on Expenditures in the Post Office Department.—Mr. Alexander G. Penn, of Louisiana; Mr. William H. Kurtz, of Pennsylvania; Mr. George T. Davis, of Massachusetts; Mr. Augustus P. Hascall, of New York; and Mr. John H. Savage, of Tennessee.

Committee on Expenditures on the Public Buildings.—Mr. Thomas Bartlett, jr., of Vermont; Mr. J. H. Hobart Haws, of New York; Mr. David Outlaw, of North Carolina; Mr. William M. Churchwell, of Tennessee; and Mr. John L. Taylor, of Ohio.

By unanimous consent, the House resumed the consideration of the motion submitted by Mr. George W. Jones on yesterday, and pending when the House adjourned, to commit the annual message of the President of the United States to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, and print the same; and also that fifteen thousand extra copies of the same, together with the accompanying documents, be printed for the use of the House; the pending question being on the motion submitted by Mr. Weightman to amend the same by adding thereto the following, viz: "*And that five thousand copies of the President's message, without the accompanying documents, be printed in the Spanish language.*"

After debate,

Mr. Brooks, having called for a separate vote on the motion to commit,

moved to amend the said motion to commit by adding thereto the following, viz:

"Except so much of the message as relates to the tariff and the revenue from customs, which shall be referred to a select committee, with power to examine witnesses, and to collect testimony here and elsewhere; and with instructions to report as soon as possible the same, with a bill reducing the duties on imports to such an amount as may be required for an economical administration of the government."

After debate,

Mr. Dean moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Will the House agree to the said amendment submitted by Mr. Brooks?

And it was decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 73
Nays..... 93

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibbighaus
Obadiah Bowne
John H. Boyd
Samuel Brenton
George Briggs
James Brooks
E. Carrington Cabell
Joseph B. Chandler
Charles Chapman
William M. Churchwell
Thomas L. Clingman
Joseph S. Cottman
William Cullom
David T. Disney
Alfred Dockery
James Duane Doty
Ben. C. Eastman
Henry A. Edmundson
James M. Gaylord
Meredith P. Gentry
Alexander Harper
John H. H. Haws
Augustus P. Hascall

Mr. Solomon G. Haven
William Hebard
Jerediah Horsford
John W. Howe
Thomas M. Howe
Thomas Y. How, jr.
William F. Hunter
James Johnson
George G. King
Joseph H. Kuhns
James Meacham
John G. Miller
John S. Millaon
Ahiman L. Miner
Richard S. Molony
Henry D. Moore
John Moore
James T. Morehead
Benjamin D. Nabers
James L. Orr
David Outlaw
Samuel W. Parker
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Jared Perkins

Mr. Gilchrist Porter
Rodman M. Price
Thomas Ross
William A. Sackett
John H. Savage
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
John L. Schoolcraft
Zeno Scudder
William R. Smith
Edward Stanly
Benjamin Stanton
Alexander H. Stephens
Nathan T. Stratton
John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston
Henry S. Walbridge
Thomas Y. Walsh
William T. Ward
Albert G. Watkins
John Welch
Alexander White
Christopher H. Williams
Joseph A. Woodward.
Richard Yates.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
John Appleton
Thomas H. Averett
Leander Babcock
Thomas S. Bocoek
Richard I. Bowie
John Bragg
Albert G. Brown
Alexander H. Buell
Joseph Cable
Lewis D. Campbell
David K. Cartter
John S. Caskie
Elijah W. Chastain
Sherrard Clemens
Chauncey F. Cleveland

Mr. Williamson R. W. Cobb
William F. Colcock
Carlton B. Curtis
John F. Darby
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick
Alfred P. Edgerton
Charles J. Faulkner
Thomas B. Florence
John G. Floyd
John D. Freeman
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James Gamble
Alfred Gilmore

Mr. Robert Goodenow
John Z. Goodrich
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Galusha A. Grow
Willard P. Hall
William T. Hamilton
Isham G. Harris
Sampson W. Harris
Emanuel B. Hart
Thomas A. Hendricks
Bernhart Henn
Junius Hillyer
Alexander R. Holladay
George S. Houston
Colin M. Ingersoll

Mr. Willard Ives
 Joseph W. Jackson
 Timothy Jenkins
 Andrew Johnson
 John Johnson
 Daniel T. Jones
 George W. Jones
 J. Glancy Jones
 Preston King
 William H. Kurtz
 John Letcher
 James Lockhart
 Daniel Mace
 Moses McDonald
 James X. McLanahan

Mr. Fayette McMullen
 John McNair
 John McQueen
 Richard K. Meade
 John A. Morrison
 William Murray
 Alexander G. Penn
 John S. Phelps
 William H. Polk
 Paulus Powell
 William A. Richardson
 George Read Riddle
 John Robbins, jr.
 Reuben Robie
 David L. Seymour

Mr. Origen S. Seymour
 Charles Skelton
 Ephraim K. Smart
 Frederick P. Stanton
 Richard H. Stanton
 Abr'm P. Stephens
 Charles E. Stuart
 Josiah Sutherland
 Charles Sweetser
 Norton S. Townshend
 Abraham W. Venable
 Daniel Wallace
 John A. Wilcox
 Isaac Wildrick.

So the said amendment was disagreed to.

The question then recurred on the motion to commit.

And being put, under the further operation of the previous question,
 It was decided in the affirmative.

So it was

Ordered, That the said message and accompanying documents be committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

The question was then put on the motion submitted by Mr. Weightman to amend the latter branch of the said original motion of Mr. Jones, by adding thereto the following, viz: "And that five thousand copies of the President's message (without the accompanying documents) be printed in the Spanish language."

And it was decided in the negative.

The said latter branch of the original motion of Mr. Jones was then agreed to.

So it was further

Ordered, That the usual number of the said message and accompanying documents, together with fifteen thousand extra copies of the same, be printed.

Mr. Houston moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Preston King, by unanimous consent, from the select committee appointed at the last session to investigate the connexion of the Hon. Thomas Corwin with the Gardiner claim, reported a bill (No. 326) "to prevent frauds upon the treasury of the United States;" which was read a first and second time, and, together with the report of the said committee, and the evidence taken before the same, (submitted to the Clerk during the recess,) ordered to be printed.

Mr. Preston King moved that the said bill and report be recommitted to the said committee;

Pending which,

Mr. Alexander H. Stephens moved, at 1 o'clock and 45 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

On motion of Mr. Florence,

The House proceeded, in pursuance of the concurrent resolution of the two houses, to the election of a Chaplain.

Mr. Florence, Mr. Schermerhorn, Mr. Ingersoll, and Mr. Duncan were appointed tellers; and nominations were made as follows, viz:

By Mr. Florence.....	Rev. L. F. Morgan.
By Mr. Ingersoll.....	T. C. Teasdale.
By Mr. Gentry.....	James Gallagher.
By Mr. Mace.....	R. L. Dashiell.
By Mr. Isham G. Harris.....	J. H. D. Carlin.
By Mr. McLanahan.....	J. G. Butler.
By Mr. Schermerhorn.....	R. R. Gurley.
By Mr. Duncan.....	R. W. Cushman.
By Mr. Cobb.....	Joseph Cross.
By Mr. Thomas J. D. Fuller.....	Orville Dewey.

The vote then being taken, *viva voce*, it appeared that

The following named members voted for Rev. JAMES GALLAGHER,

viz:

James Abercrombie, John Appleton, Thomas H. Bayly, James M. H. Beale, Thomas S. Bacock, John Bragg, John C. Breckenridge, James Brooks, Albert G. Brown, George H. Busby, Lewis D. Campbell, Thompson Campbell, David K. Cartter, John S. Caskie, Charles Chapman, Elijah W. Chastain, William M. Churchwell, Sherrard Clemens, Thomas L. Clingman, Williamson R. W. Cobb, William Cullom, Carlton B. Curtis, John F. Darby, John G. Davis, John L. Dawson, James Duane Doty, Charles J. Faulkner, John D. Freeman, James M. Gaylord, Meredith P. Gentry, Alfred Gilmore, Robert Goodenow, John Z. Goodrich, Willis A. Gorman, Frederick W. Green, Galusha A. Grow, Willard P. Hall, Alexander Harper, Sampson W. Harris, Emanuel B. Hart, Augustus P. Hascall, Solomon G. Haven, Junius Hillyer, Jerediah Horsford, George S. Houston, Volney E. Howard, William F. Hunter, Joseph W. Jackson, Andrew Johnson, James Johnson, John Johnson, Robert W. Johnson, Daniel T. Jones, George W. Jones, J. Glancy Jones, John Letcher, Edward C. Marshall, Joseph W. McCorkle, Moses McDonald, James X. McLanahan, Fayette McMullen, John McNair, Richard K. Meade, John G. Miller, Ahiman L. Miner, Richard S. Molony, Henry D. Moore, John Moore, Benjamin D. Nabers, Eben Newton, James L. Orr, Samuel W. Parker, Alexander G. Penn, John S. Phelps, William H. Polk, Gilchrist Porter, Rodman M. Price, Isaac Reed, William A. Richardson, George Read Riddle, Reuben Robie, Joseph Russell, William A. Sackett, John H. Savage, David L. Seymour, Benjamin Stanton, Frederick P. Stanton, Richard H. Stanton, Abraham P. Stephens, Alexander H. Stephens, Charles E. Stuart, Charles Sweetser, John L. Taylor, Abraham W. Venable, Henry S. Walbridge, William T. Ward, Albert G. Watkins, John Welch, Alexander White, John A. Wilcox, Isaac Wildrick, and Richard Yates.

The following named members voted for Rev. L. F. MORGAN, viz:

Charles Allen, Thomas M. Bibighaus, Richard I. Bowie, Obadiah Bowne, Samuel Brenton, Alexander H. Buell, Joseph Cable, Ben. C. Eastman, Alfred P. Edgerton, Henry A. Edmundson, Graham N. Fitch, Thomas B. Florence, John G. Floyd, William T. Hamilton, John W. Howe, Thomas M. Howe, Thomas Y. How, jr., Willard Ives, Timothy Jenkins, Preston King, John C. Mason, John S. Millson,

James T. Morehead, Ebenezer J. Penniman, Jared Perkins, John Robbins, jr., Zeno Scudder, Origen S. Seymour, and Thomas Y. Walsh.

The following named members voted for Rev. R. R. GURLEY, viz:

John H. Boyd, Lorenzo Burrows, Chauncey F. Cleveland, Gilbert Dean, Milo M. Dimmick, John H. H. Haws, William Hebard, George G. King, Frederick S. Martin, John L. Schoolcraft, Josiah Sutherland, Israel Washburn, jr., and Abr'm M. Schermerhorn.

The following named members voted for Rev. R. W. CUSHMAN, viz:

Thomas H. Averett, Joseph R. Chandler, William F. Colcock, David T. Disney, James H. Duncan, Alexander R. Holladay, John McQueen, Paulus Powell, John L. Robinson, Nathan T. Stratton, Daniel Wallace, and Joseph R. Woodward.

The following named members voted for Rev. J. H. D. CARLIN, viz:

Messrs. Willis Allen, Linn Boyd, Cyrus L. Dunham, Isham G. Harris, and Christopher H. Williams.

The following named members voted for Rev. T. C. TEASDALE, viz:

Messrs. Alfred Dockery, Colin M. Ingersoll, James Lockhart, Ephraim K. Smart, and Benjamin B. Thurston.

Messrs. Joseph S. Cottman, Thomas A. Hendricks, and Daniel Mace voted for Rev. R. L. DASHIELL.

Messrs. George T. Davis and Thomas J. D. Fuller voted for Rev. ORVILLE DEWEY.

Recapitulation of the vote for Chaplain.

For Rev. James Gallagher.....	102
L. F. Morgan.....	28
R. R. Gurley.....	13
R. W. Cushman.....	12
T. C. Teasdale.....	5
J. H. D. Carlin.....	5
R. L. Dashiell.....	3
Orville Dewey.....	2
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Whole number of votes given.....	170
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Necessary to a choice.....	86

The Rev. JAMES GALLAGHER, having received a majority of the whole number of votes given in, was declared to have been duly elected Chaplain, on the part of the House, for the present session of Congress.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate therewith.

And then,

On motion of Mr. Alexander H. Stephens,

At 2 o'clock and 40 minutes p. m., the House adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1852.

Several other members appeared and took their seats, viz:

From the State of New York—Marius Schoonmaker, John Wells, William W. Snow.

From the State of New Jersey—George H. Brown.

From the State of South Carolina—William Aiken.

From the State of Illinois—Orlando B. Ficklin.

From the State of Wisconsin—Charles Durkee.

The following petitions were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Cable: The petition of Ebenezer A. Roach, an invalid of the war of 1812, praying for a pension.

By Mr. Orr: The petition of Molly Secrest, praying for a pension, on account of the death of her husband of disease contracted while in the military service of the United States during the Mexican war.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. Hendricks: The petition of James Robertson, of Shelby county, Indiana, praying that he may be allowed to locate and enter, of the public lands subject to private entry, the number of acres specified in a Virginia exchange bounty-land warrant, which was assigned to him, and is mislaid or lost; which was referred to the Committee on Private Land Claims.

By Mr. Wallace: The petition of Whitemarsh B. Seabrook, Joseph Whaley, and others—heretofore presented February 17, 1852; which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Chandler: The petition of William Rush, of Philadelphia, administrator of John Rush, praying interest on an allowed claim; which was referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. D. Fuller, by unanimous consent, the bill of the Senate (No. 545) entitled "An act to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to issue a register to the barque Queen of Dundee," was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

The question then being on its third reading,

Mr. Fuller moved to amend the same by inserting after the word "sea," in the ninth line, the following, viz: "*said vessel to be called, in the register to be issued, 'Kate Wheeler.'*"

And the question being put on agreeing thereto,

It was decided in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the said bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

On motion of Mr. Fuller, the title of the said bill was amended by adding thereto the following, viz: "*to be called 'Kate Wheeler.'*"

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the said amendments.

Mr. Houston, by unanimous consent, introduced a bill (No. 327) "making an appropriation for bringing to the seat of government the votes for President and Vice President of the United States;" which was read a first and second time.

By unanimous consent, the rule requiring its commitment was suspended, and the bill ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Mr. Scudder rose and announced to the House that *Orin Fowler*, a member of this House from the State of Massachusetts, died on the third day of September last, at his lodgings in this city; and, after remarks upon the life and public services of the deceased, submitted the following resolutions; which were unanimously adopted, viz:

Resolved, That this House has received with deep sensibility the announcement of the death of the Hon. ORIN FOWLER, a member of this House from the State of Massachusetts, which occurred on the 3d of September last.

Resolved, That this House tenders to the family of the deceased the expression of its sympathy on this event; and, as a testimony of respect for his memory, the members and officers of this House will wear the usual badge of mourning for thirty days.

Resolved, That the Clerk of this House be directed to communicate a copy of these proceedings to the family of the deceased, and also to the Senate.

Resolved, That, as a further testimony of respect for the deceased, this House do now adjourn.

And the House accordingly adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1852.

Several other members appeared and took their seats, viz:

From the State of North Carolina—Joseph P. Caldwell.

From the State of Kentucky—Ben. Edwards Grey.

From the State of Indiana—Graham N. Fitch.

From the State of Iowa—Lincoln Clark.

The following petitions, memorials, and other papers were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. John Moore: The petition of Louise Pintard Screven, widow of Lieutenant Colonel Richard B. Screven, praying for a pension, on account of the death of her husband by disease contracted while in the line of his duty; which was referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. Clemens: The petition of James Bennett, praying for pay due him as a soldier in the war of 1812, on account of his having been paid off in depreciated money; which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Aiken: The memorial of the Chamber of Commerce of Charleston, in the State of South Carolina, praying that metal buoys and bell buoys, for the Charleston harbor, in place of those used now, also, a light-ship, be placed on the Rattle Snake shoals, and a third-class tower be erected in front of the light-house on Morris island;

Also, the memorial of the Chamber of Commerce of Charleston, in the State of South Carolina, praying that the bar be deepened, and the harbor of said city be improved;

Also, the petition of H. W. Kuhtmann, praying for authority to change the name of the ship "Prentice" to that of Leonie; also, for a register.

Ordered, That said petition and memorials be referred to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. Gilmore: The petition of James W. Wilkins—heretofore presented December 16, 1851; which was referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

By Mr. Bernhisel: The memorial of the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Utah, praying for an appropriation to pay expenses of Indian expeditions;

Also, the memorial of the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Utah, praying for an appropriation to build a prison in said Territory.

Ordered, That said memorials be referred to the Committee on Territories.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed the bill of the House (No. 327) "making an appropriation for bringing to the seat of government the votes for President and Vice President of the United States," without amendment. The Senate have agreed to the amendments of this House to the bill of the Senate (No. 545) entitled "An act authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue a register to the barque Queen of Dundee."

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Duncan rose and announced to the House that *Benjamin Thompson*, a member of this House from the State of Massachusetts, died on the 24th day of September last, at his residence in that State; and, after remarks upon the life and public services of the deceased, submitted the following resolutions; which were unanimously adopted, viz:

Resolved, That this House has received with deep sensibility the announcement of the death of the honorable BENJAMIN THOMPSON, a member of this House from the State of Massachusetts.

Resolved, That this House tenders to the family of the deceased its sympathy on this afflictive event; and, as a testimony of respect for his memory, the members and officers of this House will wear the usual badge of mourning for thirty days.

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House be directed to communicate a copy of these proceedings to the family of the deceased, and also to the Senate.

Resolved, That, as a further testimony of respect for the deceased, this House do now adjourn.

And the House accordingly adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock m.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1852.

Two other members appeared and took their seats, viz:

From the State of Pennsylvania—Henry M. Fuller.

From the State of Louisiana—Louis St. Martin.

The following petitions, memorial, and other papers were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Robie: The petition of citizens of the State of New York, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Naples, in Ontario county, to Prattsburg, in Steuben county, in said State; which was referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Preston King: The petition of Rebecca Hyde, daughter and heir of Adam Hurlbut, a soldier of the revolution, praying for a pension or other relief.

By Mr. Duncan: The petition of Mary Story, of Essex, in the State of Massachusetts, widow of Joseph Story, praying for a pension.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions.

By Mr. Polk: The petition of citizens of the State of Tennessee, on behalf of Arthur McMackin, praying that he may be granted additional pension;

Also, the petition of citizens of the State of Tennessee, on behalf of Andrew McMackin, an invalid of the war of 1812, praying for a pension.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. Chapman: The petition of Thomas Copperthwait & Co.; also, resolutions of the legislatures of various States, praying that the decisions of the United States Supreme Court be distributed by Congress; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Thaddeus Stevens: The petition of the heir and legal representative of David Grier, a soldier of the revolution, praying for relief; which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Millson: The petition of B. and J. Baker, praying that American papers may be granted to the brig Commerce, a British vessel purchased and repaired by them; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. Bernhisel: The memorial of the governor and legislative council of the Territory of Utah, praying for an appropriation of sixty thousand dollars for the location and construction of a territorial road; which was referred to the Committee on Territories.

Mr. Darby gave notice, under the rule, of his intention to move for leave to introduce a bill "to settle disputes and difficulties in relation to certain land titles in the State of Missouri."

Mr. Thaddeus Stevens gave notice, under the rule, of his intention to move for leave to introduce "a bill to amend the 'act reducing the duties on imports, and for other purposes,' " passed July 30, 1846.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Stuart reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the annual message of the President of the United States, had come to no resolution thereon.

Mr. Wildrick, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined a bill of the following title, viz:

S. 545. An act authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue a register to the barque Queen of Dundee, to be called Kate Wheeler;

and found the same truly enrolled; when the Speaker signed the said bill.

Mr. Gorman gave notice, under the rule, of his intention to move for leave to introduce a bill to authorize the President of the United States to confer the rank of lieutenant general upon Major General Winfield Scott.

On motion of Mr. Orr,

Ordered, That when the House adjourns to-day, it adjourn until Monday next.

And then,

On motion of Mr. Stuart,

At 2 o'clock and 50 minutes p. m., the House adjourned until Monday next at 12 o'clock m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1852.

Several other members appeared and took their seats, viz:

From the State of Massachusetts—William Appleton.

From the State of New Hampshire—Harry Hibbard.

From the State of Ohio—Hiram Bell.

The following petitions, memorials, and other papers were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Darby: The petition of citizens of Jefferson county, in the State of Missouri, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Hillsboro' to Morse's Mill and Grubville, in said State.

By Mr. Albert G. Brown: The petition of citizens of the State of Mississippi, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Union Church, in Jefferson county, to Pine Grove, in Franklin county, in said State.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Mace: The petition of Charles Stuart, an invalid pensioner of the late war with Mexico, praying for back pension;

Also, the petition of Harvey Thompson, an invalid pensioner of the late war with Mexico, praying to be granted back pension.

By Mr. Morrison: The petition of Lieutenant Thomas Welch, an invalid of the war with Mexico, praying for increase of pension.

By Mr. Polk: The petition of Daniel Matzambaugh, an invalid of the war of 1812, praying for a pension.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. Morrison: The petition of Waters Dewese, heir and legal representative of Colonel William Dewese, an officer in the army of the revolution, praying for an unallowed revolutionary claim due his father.

By Mr. McNair: The petition of Bolivar Shields, son and heir of Captain John Shields, praying for seven years' half-pay due his father.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Claims.

By Mr. Benjamin Stanton: The petition of Elliott McColloch—heretofore presented January 31, 1850;

Also, the petition of Joseph Newell—heretofore presented January 31, 1850.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Private Land Claims.

By Mr. Bissell: The petition of Levi Owen and other citizens of the State of Illinois, praying for the removal of the free negroes from the United States.

By Mr. Daniel T. Jones: The resolutions of the Academy of Medicine; also, the memorial of the American Medical Association of Richmond, Virginia; also, the memorial of the New York Medical Society, praying for the publication of the statistics of mortality contained in the census of 1850.

Ordered, That said petition and memorials be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Millson: The memorial of Thomas Ap Catesby Jones, of the State of Virginia, praying relief in the matter of a judgment obtained against him as the surety of W. F. Jones, deceased, late postmaster at Norfolk, in the State of Virginia; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Mace: The petition of Zachariah Walker—heretofore presented February 10, 1846; which was referred to the Committee of Claims.

By Mr. Chandler: The petition of John F. Dumas, praying for indemnity on account of the seizure and pillage of the American brig *Rose* by the French privateer *Felicity*, owned by his father, John F. Dumas, under the treaty of 1819 with Spain; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. Clingman: The letter of N. G. Howell, on behalf of the children of Ahleacha, (an Indian,) in relation to the value of a certain reservation of land sold by the State of North Carolina; which was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. Meade: The petition of citizens of Petersburg, in the State of Virginia, praying for an appropriation to build a custom-house and post office in said city.

By Mr. Washburn: Additional evidence in the claim of the Androscoggin Railroad Company, for a remission of duty on railroad iron.

Ordered, That said petition and additional evidence be referred to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. Chandler: The petition of Henry Etting, of Philadelphia, a purser in the United States navy, praying to have refunded to him money paid by him to officers of courts martial; which was referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

By Mr. Hendricks: The memorial of the Central Canal Company of the State of Indiana, praying for a grant of public lands, to aid in the construction of said canal; which was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Mr. Hall, by unanimous consent, and in pursuance of previous notice, introduced a bill (No. 328) to organize the Territory of Platte; which was read a first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Territories.

Mr. Cartter, by unanimous consent, submitted the following resolution; which was read, considered, and agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union be discharged from the further consideration of so much of the President's message as relates to patents and the Patent Office; and that the same be referred to the Committee on Patents.

Mr. Albert G. Brown, by unanimous consent, gave notice of his intention to move to amend the standing rules of the House by adding thereto a rule establishing a standing committee, to be called the "General Committee on Claims."

Mr. Houston, by unanimous consent, from the Committee of Ways and Means, reported bills of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 329. A bill making an appropriation for the payment of navy pensions for the year ending June 30, 1854;

H. R. 330. A bill making appropriations for the payment of invalid and other pensions of the United States for the year ending June 30, 1854;

Which bills were severally read a first and second time, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Wilcox, by unanimous consent, submitted the following preamble and resolutions; which were read and referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, viz:

Whereas it has been represented by travellers in foreign countries, and by missionaries preaching the Gospel in foreign lands, under the patronage of American benevolent societies, that American citizens, owing allegiance to no other government than to our own free, constitutional government, are compelled to submit to forms of worship, while temporarily residing in, or travelling through countries with which our government has treaty stipulations, to which their reasons and consciences are solemnly opposed: Therefore, be it

Resolved, That the representatives of this government at foreign courts be instructed to urge such amendments of all existing treaties between the United States and the other powers of the world as will secure the same liberty of religious worship to all American citizens residing under foreign flags which is guarantied to all citizens of every nation of the whole world who reside under the flag of our Union.

Resolved, That all commissioners hereafter to be appointed to negotiate treaties shall consider themselves instructed to secure, if possible, this provision in all their treaties.

Mr. Hunter, by unanimous consent, presented joint resolutions of the legislature of the State of Ohio, in favor of distributing lands to actual settlers; which were referred to the Committee on Public Lands, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Ives, by unanimous consent, introduced a bill (No. 331) "granting to the Sackett's Harbor and Ellisburg Railroad Company the right of way through the military reservation at Sackett's Harbor;" which was read a first and second time.

Mr. George W. Jones moved that it be referred to the Committee on Public Lands; which motion was disagreed to.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed and read a third time.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

On motion of Mr. Meade, by unanimous consent, the resolution of the Senate (No. 54) "explanatory of an act supplementary to an act approved May 23, 1850," was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the said resolution be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. George W. Jones moved that the vote by which the said resolution was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Meade moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move that the bill of the House (No. 49) "for the relief of the Orange and Alexandria Railroad Company," be made a special order for the first Tuesday of January next; which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Stuart submitted the following resolution; which was read, considered, and agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That all debate in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union on the annual message of the President of the United States shall cease at 2 o'clock p. m. on Wednesday, (if the committee shall not sooner come to a conclusion upon the same,) and the committee shall then proceed to vote on such propositions as may be pending, or offered, in connexion with the same; and shall then report it to the House, with such propositions as may have been agreed to by the committee.

Mr. Stuart moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Stuart reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the annual message of the President of the United States, had come to no resolution thereon.

The following notices were given, under the rule, of motions for leave to introduce bills, viz:

By Mr. Orr: A bill to repeal the duty on railroad iron.

By Mr. Chandler: A bill to amend the several acts respecting copyrights.

Mr. Stanly, by unanimous consent, submitted the following amendment to the 19th rule of the House, viz:

Add at the end of said rule: "*And no person shall be admitted, under the rules of the House, as a reporter or stenographer for any paper or papers who shall be employed as an agent to prosecute any claim pending before Congress; and the Speaker shall give his written permission with this condition.*"

The same having been read,

The House, by unanimous consent, proceeded to its consideration.

Mr. George W. Jones moved to amend the said amendment by adding thereto the following, viz: "*And not more than one reporter or stenographer shall be assigned the same seat.*"

After debate,

Mr. George W. Jones moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Will the House agree to the said amendment to the amendment?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

Under the further operation of the previous question, the said amendment, as amended, was agreed to.

So it was

Ordered, That the 19th rule of the House be amended by adding thereto the following, viz:

And no person shall be admitted, under the rules of the House, as a reporter or stenographer, for any paper or papers who shall be employed as an agent to prosecute any claim pending before Congress; and the Speaker shall give his written permission with this condition; and not more than one reporter or stenographer shall be assigned the same seat.

Mr. George W. Jones moved that the vote by which the said amendment was agreed to be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Wildrick, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined a bill of the following title, viz:

H. R. 327. An act making an appropriation for bringing to the seat of government the votes for President and Vice President of the United States; and found the same truly enrolled; when the Speaker signed the said bill.

On motion of Mr. Andrew Johnson, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That he be excused from further service on the Committee on Commerce.

The Speaker thereupon appointed Mr. Stuart, of Michigan, to fill the vacancy occasioned thereby.

And then,

On motion of Mr. Thompson Campbell,

At 3 o'clock p. m., the House adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock m.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1852.

Two other members appeared and took their seats, viz:

From the State of Pennsylvania—Andrew Parker.

From the State of Michigan—James L. Conger.

The following petitions were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Porter: The petition of citizens of Jefferson county, in the State of Missouri, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Spanish Prairie to Iberia, in said State; which was referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Wells: The petition of Thomas Johnson, a soldier^{*} in the

war of the revolution, praying for a pension; which was referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions.

By Mr. John W. Howe: The petition of the widow and daughter of Lieutenant Noah Wiseman, a soldier of the war of 1812, who died of disease contracted in the line of his duty, praying for a pension.

By Mr. Breckenridge: The petition of Humphrey Barrett—heretofore referred December 10, 1834; which was referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Claims.

By Mr. Moore: The petition of Henry M. Hyams, Robert Chew, and Richard King, of the State of Louisiana, praying for an amendment of the act of 27th July, 1851; which was referred to the Committee on Private Land Claims.

By Mr. Cleveland; The petition of citizens of the State of Connecticut, remonstrating against the employment of chaplains;

Also, the petition of citizens of the State of New Hampshire, of like import with the foregoing.

By Mr. Ficklin: The petition of R. H. Patterson, and others, citizens of the District of Columbia, praying for a charter to construct a railroad in said District; which was referred to the Committee for the District of Columbia.

By Mr. Brenton: The petition of Christopher Cory, praying for compensation for his discovery of the cause and cure of the disease in the potato crop; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Chastain: The petition of certain Cherokee Indians, citizens of the State of Georgia, praying for the settlement of certain claim under treaty stipulations; which was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. Gorman: The petition of Doctor Alexander B. Hasson, assistant surgeon in the United States army, praying for an increase in the medical staff in the army; which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. William Appleton: The petition of Selina C. Sumner, praying that an appropriation in money be made to Thomas H. Sumner, her husband, for having discovered a new method of finding ships' positions at sea; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. John Moore: The petition of Andrew C. Armstrong—heretofore presented January 3, 1850; which was referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Bowie, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That leave be granted for the withdrawal from the files of the House of the papers in the case of Colonel Thomas Bullitt, for the purpose of reference to one of the executive departments.

The said papers were thereupon handed to Mr. Bowie.

On motion of Mr. Bragg, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That leave be granted for the withdrawal from the files of the House of the papers in the case of Hugh W. Wormley, for the purpose of reference to one of the executive departments.

The said papers were thereupon handed to Mr. Bragg.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the

Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Stuart reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the annual message of the President of the United States, had come to no resolution thereon.

And then,

On motion of Mr. Hillyer,

At 3 o'clock and 45 minutes p. m., the House adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1852.

Another member appeared and took his seat, viz:

From the State of Louisiana—J. Aristide Landry.

The following petitions were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Russell: The petition of Lieut. Alton Nelson, praying for a pension on account of disability incurred by injuries while in the military service of the United States, during the war of 1812; which was referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. Hamilton: The petition of citizens of the State of California, praying that one thousand copies of the memoir, maps and charts, prepared from the surveys of Capt. Ringgold, of the navy, be distributed by Congress among our sea-faring and other fellow-citizens; which was referred to the Committee on Printing.

By Mr. Russell: The petition of Nathaniel Fadden, a Canadian volunteer in the war of 1812, praying for compensation for services and indemnity for losses sustained by him during said war;

Also, the petition of the heirs of Louis Provandie, a revolutionary soldier, praying for relief;

Also, the petition of Joseph H. James, late a soldier in the 6th regiment of infantry, on the northern frontier, praying for three hundred acres of land on which to settle with his large family.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee of Claims.

By Mr. Florence: The petition of R. W. Cushman, praying for the difference of pay while acting purser of the United States ship "Ger-mantown;" which was referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs;

Also, the petition of William Emmons, praying for the extension of the patent granted to Uri Emmons for a planing machine; which was referred to the Committee on Patents.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to communicate to this House a copy of the proceedings of the Senate upon the annunciation of the death of the late Secretary of State, Daniel Webster.

And then he withdrew.

The said message having been read,

Mr. George T. Davis submitted the following resolutions; which were read, and, after remarks by several members upon the life and public services of the deceased, unanimously agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That this House concurs with the Senate in its expression of grief for the death of Daniel Webster, of respect for his memory, and of estimation of the services which he rendered to his country.

Resolved, That the members of this House will wear crape on the left arm for the space of thirty days.

Resolved, That the Speaker be requested to make these resolves known to the surviving relatives of the deceased.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

And the House accordingly adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1852.

The following petitions and other papers were laid on the table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit :

By Mr. Andrew Johnson : The petition of citizens of the State of Tennessee, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Shady, in Johnson county, to Elizabethtown, in said State.

By Mr. Washburn, jr. : The petition of citizens of Dover, county of Piscataquis, in the State of Maine, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Dexter, via West Dover, to Foxcroft, in said State.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Mason : The petition of the widow of James Rigden, a soldier in the war of the revolution, praying for a pension.

By Mr. Porter : The petition of Michael R. Bower, administrator of Major Edward Waller, of the State of Virginia, praying for a pension for three years' services during the revolutionary war, rendered by said Waller.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions.

By Mr. Smart : The petition of the heirs of Lieut. Benjamin Shaw, of the Massachusetts continental line, praying for commutation pay ; which was referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Claims.

By Mr. Stuart : The petition of citizens of the State of Michigan, praying for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a railroad from Pontiac to Lake Superior ; which was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Breckenridge : The petition of Anthony Gale's heirs and legal representatives—heretofore presented January 2, 1837.

By Mr. Edgerton : The claim of Thomas C. Cardwell for excess of duties levied upon certain British goods imported into the port of Philadelphia in the year 1824.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee of Claims.

By Mr. Howard : Additional evidence in the claim of Major E. B. Babbitt ; which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Millson : The petition of Virginia Rutter, widow of Dr. Edward J. Rutter, late a surgeon of the United States navy, praying for the extra pay to which her husband would have been entitled, under the act of 1850, had he lived a few months longer ; which was referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

Mr. Riddle, from the Committee on Engraving, reported the following resolution ; which was read, considered, and agreed to, viz :

Resolved, That the Committee on Engraving be, and they are hereby, authorized to contract for engraving the maps and drawings accom-

panying the President's message, for nine hundred and thirty copies: *Provided*, That the cost shall not exceed the sum of four hundred and seventy-five dollars.

Mr. Smart, by unanimous consent, submitted the following resolution; which was read, considered, and agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That the Committee on Commerce be requested to inquire into the expediency of making an appropriation for a custom-house in the Belfast collection district, in the State of Maine.

On motion of Mr. Miller, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That leave be granted for the withdrawal from the files of the House of the papers in the case of John Batten and others.

The said papers were thereupon handed to Mr. Miller.

Mr. Haven, from the Joint Committee on Printing, reported a joint resolution (No. 29) "authorizing the settlement of the account of the public printer for paper used by him since November 1, 1852;" which was read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the said resolution be engrossed, and read a third time.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the said resolution.

Mr. Haven moved that the vote by which the said resolution was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Haven, from the same committee, reported a joint resolution (No. 30) "authorizing the employment of two clerks and one messenger in the office of the Superintendent of the Public Printing;" which was read a first and second time.

After debate, and pending the question on its engrossment,

On motion of Mr. Cartter,

Ordered, That its further consideration be postponed until Thursday next.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Stuart reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the annual message of the President of the United States, had come to no resolution thereon.

And then,

On motion of Mr. Isham G. Harris,

At 3 o'clock p. m., the House adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock m.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1852.

The following petitions were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Linn Boyd: The petition of Patsey Flora, widow of William Flora, praying for a renewal of her pension; which was referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. John Moore: The petition of citizens of the State of Louisiana, settlers on the Grand Chenier, praying that the right of pre-emption be granted to them; which was referred to the Committee on Private Land Claims.

By Mr. George W. Jones: Sixteen petitions of citizens of the State of Tennessee, praying for the repeal of all laws authorizing chaplains in the United States.

By Mr. Murray: The petition of citizens of the State of Michigan, of like import with the foregoing;

Also, the petition of citizens of the State of New York, of like import with the foregoing.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Thomas J. D. Fuller: The petition of G. Vanderwerken, of Georgetown, praying that a railroad charter be granted to him; which was referred to the Committee for the District of Columbia.

By Mr. Brenton: The petition of Samuel Brenton, in behalf of Charles Davis and Margaret H. Clark, praying for an appropriation for the purpose of paying claims against the Pottawatomie Indians, awarded by General William B. Mitchell, and approved by the Secretary of War in 1841; which was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. Phelps: The petition of Abelard Guthrie, praying to be admitted to a seat in this House as a delegate from the Territory of Nebraska; which was referred to the Committee on Elections.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. D. Fuller, by unanimous consent, the bill of the Senate (No. 448) entitled "An act authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue registers to vessels in certain cases," was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Pending the question on its third reading,

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. D. Fuller, the said bill was amended by inserting in the fifth and sixth lines, after the words "have been," the words "*or shall hereafter be*," and by striking out in the twelfth line the word "value," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "*cost*."

On motion of Mr. Haven, the said bill was further amended by inserting after the word "register," in the third line, the words "*or enrolment*."

Ordered, That the said bill be read the third time.

It was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the said amendments.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a bill of the following title, viz: S. 553. An act to amend the act approved August 31, 1852, in reference to the appropriation for continuing the survey of the Mexican boundary; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Houston, by unanimous consent, from the Committee of Ways and Means, reported bills of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 332. A bill making appropriations for the support of the Military Academy for the year ending June 30, 1854;

H. R. 333. A bill making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian department, and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with various Indian tribes, for the year ending June 30, 1854;

Which bills were severally read a first and second time, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Houston moved that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Edgerton,

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House for the consideration of private bills; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Richardson reported that the committee having, according to order, had the private calendar under consideration, had found itself without a quorum, and that he had caused the roll to be called, when it appeared that the following named members were absent, viz:

James Abercrombie, John Appleton, William S. Ashe, David J. Bailey, Nelson Barrere, Thomas Bartlett, jr., James M. H. Beale, Henry Bennett, William H. Bissell, Thomas S. Bocock, Obadiah Bowne, John Bragg, Albert G. Brown, Armistead Burt, Charles Chapman, William M. Churchwell, Sherrard Clemens, William F. Colcock, James L. Conger, William Cullom, John R. J. Daniel, Gilbert Dean, David T. Disney, Alfred Dockery, James Duane Doty, Charles Durkee, Presley Ewing, Charles J. Faulkner, Graham N. Fitch, Meredith P. Gentry, William T. Hamilton, Edward Hammond, William Hebard, Jerediah Horsford, Thomas Y. How, jr., Colin M. Ingersoll, Andrew Johnson, James Johnson, Joseph H. Kuhns, J. Aristide Landry, John Letcher, Horace Mann, Edward C. Marshall, Joseph W. McCorkle, John McQueen, Ahiman L. Miner, James T. Morehead, Edson B. Olds, James L. Orr, William Preston, Rodman M. Price, John Robbins, jr., Thomas Ross, Richardson Scurry, David L. Seymour, Frederick P. Stanton, Abr'm P. Stephens, Alexander H. Stephens, James W. Stone, Nathan T. Stratton, James F. Strother, Charles E. Stuart, Josiah Sutherland, Robert Toombs, Amos Tuck, Thomas Y. Walsh, John Welch, John Wells, Christopher H. Williams, and Joseph A. Woodward.

A quorum having appeared,

The House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Richardson reported that the committee having, according to order, had the private calendar under consideration, and particularly the bills of the House—No. 168, for the relief of David Myerle, and No. 149, for the relief of the heirs of Lieutenant Bartlett Hinds—had directed him to report the former, with a recommendation that it do not pass; and the latter with an amendment, and a recommendation that it do pass.

On motion of Mr. Polk,

Ordered, That when the House adjourns to-day, it adjourn until Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Houston, by unanimous consent, the bill of the Senate (No. 553) entitled "An act to amend the act approved August 31, 1852, in reference to the appropriation for continuing the survey of the Mexican boundary," was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Pending the question on its third reading,

Mr. Houston moved that it be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means; which motion was disagreed to.

Mr. Sweetser moved that it be committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union;

Pending which,

Mr. Houston moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Shall the said bill be committed?

And it was decided in the negative.

Under the further operation of the previous question, the said bill was ordered to be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and, under the operation of the previous question, passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. John G. Davis gave notice, under the rule, of his intention to move for leave to introduce a bill for the adjustment of sales and locations conflicting with swamp-land selections.

And then,

On motion of Mr. Hart,

At 2 o'clock and 5 minutes p. m., the House adjourned until Monday next at 12 o'clock m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1852.

The following petitions were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. John W. Howe: Five petitions of citizens of the State of Pennsylvania, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Franklin, in Venango county, to Tylersburgh, in Clarion county, in said State.

By Mr. Eastman: The petition of citizens of the State of Wisconsin, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Wausau, in Marathon county, to Shawno, on Wolf river.

By Mr. Robie: A petition on behalf of the citizens of the State of New York, praying for a mail route from Rough and Ready, in Steuben county, via West Union, Brookville Post Office, Tioga county, in the State of Pennsylvania, to Westfield, in said State.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Hibbard: The petition of Charles M. How, of Benton, in the State of New Hampshire, praying for compensation for military services, as heir of Abraham Safford, an officer in the war of the revolution; which was referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions.

By Mr. Horsford: The petition of Zachariah Long, praying for

arrears of pension; which was referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. Averett: The petition of Nathaniel R. Cole, heir and legal representative of Walter King Cole, a surgeon in the war of the revolution, praying for half-pay due to his said ancestor; which was referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Claims.

By Mr. Robbins, jr.: The petition of citizens of the county of Philadelphia, in the State of Pennsylvania, praying for a modification of the bounty-land law of 1850; which was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Grow: Thirteen petitions of citizens of the State of Pennsylvania, remonstrating against the employment of chaplains by the United States; which were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Ficklin: The petition of citizens of the District of Columbia, praying for an appropriation to build a bridge across the Potomac river; which was referred to the Committee for the District of Columbia.

By Mr. Ingersoll: The petition of citizens of New Haven, in the State of Connecticut, praying for an appropriation to build a new custom-house for said port.

By Mr. Clemens: The petition of citizens of Wheeling, in the State of Virginia, praying for the payment to the several States of the fourth instalment of surplus revenue, under the act of June 23, 1836.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

By Mr. Ives: The petition of the president and secretary of the Watertown and Rome Railroad Company, for the construction of a breakwater at Cape Vincent.

By Mr. Scudder: The petition of George Marston and other citizens of the State of Massachusetts, praying for the erection of a beacon-light on "Deep Hole rock," in Vineyard sound, in said State;

Also, the petition of Selina Sumner, wife of Captain Thomas H. Sumner, who is now insane, praying for relief, on account of his scientific discovery, by which a ship's position at sea may be ascertained, when no observation of the sun can be had.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. Ingersoll: The petition of Franklin Kellsey, of Middletown, in the State of Connecticut, praying for an appropriation to test an improved method of his for propelling all kinds and classes of vessels in the navy of the United States; which was referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

By Mr. Richard H. Stanton: The petition of Robert Mills, in relation to a supply of water for the use of the government; which was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

Mr. Darby, by unanimous consent, and in pursuance of previous notice, introduced a bill (No. 334) "to settle disputes and difficulties in relation to certain land titles in the State of Missouri;" which was read a first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have chosen the honorable David R. Atchison President of the Senate *pro tempore*.

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Albert G. Brown, by unanimous consent, and in pursuance of previous notice, submitted the following resolution, viz :

Resolved, That the following be added to the rules of the House of Representatives :

"There shall be appointed a standing committee of the House of Representatives, to consist of fifteen members, to be called *The General Committee on Claims*, whose duty it shall be to report a bill at each session of Congress making appropriations for the payment of private claimants. It shall be the duty of the other committees of this House, when they have prepared a written report in favor of any claim, to transmit their report, together with the evidence on which it is based, to said General Committee on Claims; and if said committee, after due examination, shall concur in said report, they shall insert an item for the payment of said claim in the bill for the payment of private claimants, and thereupon submit to the House the report and evidence aforesaid, to be printed or otherwise disposed of, as the House may direct. And upon the demand of a single member, a separate vote shall be had on any section of said bill designated by him, notwithstanding the previous question may have been moved and seconded."

After debate,

Mr. Alexander H. Stephens moved the previous question; and the House refused to second the same.

After further debate.

Mr. Freeman moved to amend the said resolution by striking out all after the word "*Resolved*," and inserting in lieu thereof the following, viz :

"That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the necessity and propriety of giving to the district courts of the United States full powers at law and in equity to hear and determine all domestic claims against the federal government, and that said committee report by bill or otherwise."

After debate,

Mr. Robert W. Johnson moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz : Will the House agree to the said amendment?

And it was decided in the negative.

The question then recurred on agreeing to the said resolution ;

Pending which,

Mr. Stuart moved that it be laid on the table.

And the question being put on the latter motion,

It was decided in the negative,	{ Yeas.....	77
	{ Nays.....	90

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. John Allison
Thomas H. Averett
Thomas H. Bayly
James M. H. Beale
Hiram Bell

Mr. Thomas S. Bocock
Richard I. Bowie
John H. Boyd
George Briggs
Alexander H. Buell

Mr. Lorenzo Burrows
Lincoln Clark
Chauncey F. Cleveland
Carlton B. Curtis
John G. Davis

Mr. John L. Dawson
Ben. C. Eastman
Graham N. Fitch
John G. Floyd
John D. Freeman
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James Gamble
Alfred Gihmore
Robert Goodenow
John Z. Goodrich
Alexander Harper
William Hebard
Thomas A. Hendricks
Harry Hibbard
Alexander R. Holladay
Jerediah Horsford
Volney E. Howard
John W. Howe
Colin M. Ingersoll
Andrew Johnson
James Johnson

Mr. J. Glancy Jones
George G. King
Preston King
William H. Kurtz
John Letcher
Daniel Mace
Edward C. Marshall
Moses McDonald
John McNair
James Meacham
John S. Millson
James T. Morehead
Charles Murphy
William Murray
Eben Newton
David Outlaw
Andrew Parker
Charles H. Peaselee
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Jared Perkins
John S. Phelps

Mr. Rodman M. Price
George Read Riddle
Reuben Robie
Thomas Ross
William A. Sackett
John H. Savage
John L. Schoolcraft
Marius Schoonmaker
David L. Seymour
Origen S. Seymour
Charles Skelton
Edward Stanly
Charles E. Stuart
Charles Sweetser
Norton S. Townshend
Henry S. Walbridge
Daniel Wallace
John Welch
John Wells
Isaac Wildrick.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
William Aiken
Willis Allen
William Appleton
William S. Ashe
Nelson Barrere
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibighaus
John Bragg
Samuel Brenton
Albert G. Brown
George H. Busby
E. Carrington Cabell
Joseph P. Caldwell
Lewis D. Campbell
Thompson Campbell
David K. Cartter
John S. Caakie
Charles Chapman
Elijah W. Chastain
Sherrard Clemens
Williamson R. W. Cobb
James L. Conger
William Cullom
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
Alfred Dockery
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Cyrus L. Dunham

Mr. Henry A. Edmundson
Alexander Evans
Presley Ewing
Charles J. Faulkner
Orlando B. Ficklin
Thomas B. Florence
Henry M. Fuller
James M. Gaylord
Galusha A. Grow
Isam G. Harris
Sampson W. Harris
Emanuel B. Hart
Augustus P. Hascall
Bernhart Henn
Junius Hillyer
George S. Houston
Thomas M. Howe
William F. Hunter
Willard Ives
Joseph W. Jackson
Timothy Jenkins
Robert W. Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George W. Jones
J. Aristide Landry
Joseph W. McCorkle
Richard K. Meade
Richard S. Molony
John Moore
John A. Morrison

Mr. Benjamin D. Nabers
James L. Orr
Samuel W. Parker
William H. Polk
Gilchrist Porter
William Preston
Isaac Reed
John Robbins, jr.
John L. Robinson
Joseph Russell
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
Zeno Scudder
Ephraim K. Smart
William R. Smith
William W. Snow
Benjamin Stanton
Frederick P. Stanton
Richard H. Stanton
Abr'm P. Stephens
Alexander H. Stephens
Louis St. Martin
John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston
William T. Ward
Israel Washburn, jr.
Albert G. Watkins
Addison White
John A. Wilcox
Christopher H. Williams
Joseph A. Woodward.

So the House refused to lay the resolution on the table.

The question again recurred on agreeing to the resolution ;

And being put,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 74
Nays..... 89

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
William Aiken
Willis Allen

Mr. William Appleton
William S. Ashe
Nelson Barrere

Mr. Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibighaus
John Bragg

Mr. Samuel Brenton
 Albert G. Brown
 George H. Busby
 E. Carrington Cabell
 Joseph P. Caldwell
 Lewis D. Campbell
 Thompson Campbell
 John S. Caakie
 Charles Chapman
 Elijah W. Chastain
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 Williamson R. W. Cobb
 James L. Conger
 William Cullom
 John F. Darby
 George T. Davis
 Alfred Dockery
 James H. Duncan
 Cyrus L. Dunham
 Charles J. Faulkner
 Orlando B. Ficklin
 Henry M. Fuller

Mr. James M. Gaylord
 Ben. Edwards Grey
 Isham G. Harris
 Sampson W. Harris
 Junius Hillyer
 William F. Hunter
 Willard Ives
 Joseph W. Jackson
 Timothy Jenkins
 Robert W. Johnson
 Daniel T. Jones
 George W. Jones
 J. Aristide Landry
 Joseph W. McCorkle
 Richard K. Meade
 Richard S. Molony
 John Moore
 Benjamin D. Nabers
 James L. Orr
 Samuel W. Parker
 Alexander G. Penn
 William H. Polk

Mr. Gilchrist Porter
 William Preston
 Isaac Reed
 John Robbins, jr.
 John L. Robinson
 Zeno Scudder
 Ephraim K. Smart
 William R. Smith
 William W. Snow
 Frederick P. Stanton
 Richard H. Stanton
 Alexander H. Stephens
 Louis St. Martin
 John L. Taylor
 Abraham W. Venable
 William T. Ward
 Israel Washburn, jr.
 Albert G. Watkins
 John A. Wilcox
 Christopher H. Williams
 Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. John Allison
 Thomas H. Averett
 Thomas H. Bayly
 James M. H. Beale
 Hiram Bell
 Thomas S. Boccock
 Richard I. Bowie
 John H. Boyd
 Alexander H. Buell
 Lorenzo Burrows
 David K. Cartter
 Joseph R. Chandler
 Lincoln Clark
 Chauncey F. Cleveland
 Thomas L. Clingman
 Carlton B. Curtis
 John G. Davis
 John L. Dawson
 Ben. C. Eastman
 Henry A. Edmundson
 Thomas B. Florence
 John G. Floyd
 John D. Freeman
 Thomas J. D. Fuller
 James Gamble
 Joshua R. Giddings
 Alfred Gilmore
 Robert Goodenow
 John Z. Goodrich
 Willis A. Gorman

Mr. Galusha A. Grow
 Alexander Harper
 Emanuel B. Hart
 Augustus P. Hascall
 William Hebard
 Bernhart Hehn
 Harry Hibbard
 Alexander R. Holladay
 Jerediah Horsford
 George S. Houston
 John W. Howe
 Thomas M. Howe
 Colin M. Ingersoll
 Andrew Johnson
 James Johnson
 John Johnson
 J. Glancy Jones
 George G. King
 Preston King
 William H. Kurtz
 John Letcher
 Moses McDonald
 Fayette McMullen
 James Meacham
 John S. Millson
 James T. Morehead
 John A. Morrison
 Charles Murphy
 William Murray
 Eben Newton

Mr. David Outlaw
 Andrew Parker
 Charles H. Peaslee
 Ebenezer J. Penniman
 Jared Perkins
 John S. Phelps
 Rodman M. Price
 George Read Riddle
 Reuben Robie
 Thomas Ross
 William A. Sackett
 John H. Savage
 Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
 Marius Schoonmaker
 David L. Seymour
 Origen S. Seymour
 Charles Skelton
 Edward Stanly
 Benjamin Stanton
 Abr'm P. Stephens
 Charles E. Stuart
 Charles Sweetser
 Benjamin B. Thurston
 Norton S. Townshend
 Henry S. Walbridge
 Daniel Wallace
 John Welch
 John Wells
 Isaac Wildrick.

So the said resolution was disagreed to.

Mr. Stanly moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table.

Pending which,

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have agreed to the amendments of this House to the bill of the Senate (No. 448) entitled "An act authorizing

the Secretary of the Treasury to issue registers to vessels in certain cases."

The Senate have passed a bill of this House of the following title, viz: H. R. 164. "An act for the relief of James A. Fawns," without amendment.

And then he withdrew.

A message was received from the President of the United States, by Millard P. Fillmore, his private secretary, notifying the House that he did, on the 16th instant, approve and sign a bill of the following title, viz:

H. R. 327. An act making an appropriation for bringing to the seat of government the votes for President and Vice President of the United States.

Mr. Doty gave notice, under the rule, of his intention to move for leave to introduce a bill of the following title, viz:

A bill to establish a post-road, upon an air line, from the city of Washington, by the cities of Baltimore and Philadelphia, to the city of New York, and to provide for the construction of a railway upon said line.

Mr. Ewing, by unanimous consent, submitted the following resolution; which was read, considered, and agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of a resolution providing for an amendment of the constitution in such a manner as to authorize Congress to require that the electors for the Presidency and Vice Presidency (except the two senatorial electors) shall be chosen in each State by separate districts, instead of by a vote of the whole State.

On motion of Mr. Polk, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That a new committee of conference be appointed, on the part of the House, on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the Senate (No. 32) "for the relief of Margaret L. Worth."

The following named members were thereupon appointed on the said committee, viz: Mr. Polk, Mr. Isham G. Harris, and Mr. Goodnow.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

The Speaker having stated the pending question to be on the motion heretofore submitted by Mr. Stanly to lay upon the table the motion to reconsider the vote by which the resolution of Mr. Albert G. Brown was disagreed to,

Mr. Robert W. Johnson moved, at 3 o'clock p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question was then put on the motion of Mr. Stanly.

And decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Isham G. Harris moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to report from the Committee on the Judiciary the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That there be paid to Francis H. Smith, out of the contingent fund of the House, one hundred and fifty dollars, for his services in reporting the evidence taken before the Committee on the Judiciary relative to the charges against the honorable John C. Warrus, district judge for the district of Texas.

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Hart,

At 3 o'clock and 5 minutes p. m., the House adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock m.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1852.

Another member appeared and took his seat, viz:

From the State of South Carolina—Armistead Burt.

The following petitions and memorials were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Hall: The petition of citizens of the State of Missouri, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Linneus, in Linn county, to Kirksville, in Adair county, in said State.

By Mr. Orr: The memorial of the president of the Greenville and Columbia Railroad Company, in the State of South Carolina, praying that a credit be extended on the duties for railroad iron for said road, and that the same be paid by carrying the mails.

Ordered, That said petition and memorial be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Origen S. Seymour: The petition of the heirs of Jonathan Klock, a soldier in the war of the revolution, praying for a pension due their ancestor;

Also, the petition of the heir and legal representative of Captain John Stevens, Lucy Leonard, praying for a pension due her father for services as a soldier in the war of the revolution.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions.

Also, the petition of Reuben M. Gibbs, an invalid of the war of 1812, praying for arrears of pension; which was referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. Curtis: The petition of Sarah Barber, heir and legal representative of Thomas McKee, a soldier of the revolution, praying a pension due her said ancestor; which was referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Claims.

By Mr. Chandler: The petition of citizens of Philadelphia county, in the State of Pennsylvania, praying for a modification of the bounty land law of 1850; which was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Howard: Additional evidence in the case of Judge John C. Watrous, of Texas.

By Mr. Green: Three petitions of citizens of the State of Ohio, remonstrating against the employment of United States chaplains.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Bernhisel: The memorial of the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Utah, praying for an appropriation to pay the code commissioners of said Territory; which was referred to the Committee on Territories.

By Mr. Scudder: The petition of Joseph L. McDonald, and other

citizens of the State of Massachusetts, praying for the improvement of Pamet harbor, in said State.

By Mr. McDonald: The petition of John C. Lawrey, of Kittery, in the State of Maine, praying for fishing bounty on schooner Wellington, lost on her returning voyage, loaded with fish.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. Wildrick, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined a resolution and bills of the Senate of the following titles, viz:

S. R. 54. A resolution explanatory of an act supplementary to an act approved the 23d day of May, 1850;

S. 553. An act to amend the act approved the 31st August, 1852, in reference to the appropriation for continuing the survey of the Mexican boundary;

S. 448. An act authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue registers to vessels, in certain cases;

and found the same truly enrolled; when the Speaker signed the said resolution and bills.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. D. Fuller, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That leave be granted for the withdrawal from the files of the House of the papers in the case of Mary Andrews, for the purpose of reference to one of the executive departments.

The said papers were thereupon handed to Mr. Fuller.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have appointed Mr. Borland, Mr. Davis, and Mr. Shields the committee of conference, on the part of the Senate, on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill (S. 32) for the relief of Margaret L. Worth.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Stuart reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the annual message of the President of the United States, had directed him to report sundry resolutions in relation thereto.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a joint resolution of this House of the following title, viz:

H. R. 29. Joint resolution authorizing the settlement of the account of the public printer for paper used by him since the 1st of November, 1852; without amendment.

And then he withdrew.

The following resolutions, reported from the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, were then read, viz:

1. *Resolved*, That so much of the annual message of the President of the United States to the two houses of Congress, at the present session, as relates to our foreign affairs, together with the accompanying correspondence in relation thereto; to further legislation for the pro-

tection and punishment of foreign consuls residing in the United States; to a revival, with modifications, of the act of 10th March, 1838, to restrain unlawful military expeditions against the inhabitants of coterminus States or Territories; to fulfilling our treaty stipulations with Mexico—be referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

2. *Resolved*, That so much of said message as relates to the existing tariff, and recommends a revision and change of its provisions; so much as relates to the general condition of the treasury and finances of the government; to the revenue and prevention of frauds in its collection; the public debt and its payment; the estimated receipts and expenditures for the ensuing fiscal year—be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

3. *Resolved*, That so much of said message and accompanying documents as relates to the condition and operation of the army of the United States, and recommends an increase of the same; as relates to a revision of the present system of fortifications; to a retired list of officers who may be unfit for duty, together with the report of the Secretary of War—be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

4. *Resolved*, That so much of said message and accompanying documents as relates to the navy of the United States, its condition and operation; to the establishment of a permanent corps of seamen; to the reorganization of the Naval Academy; to the establishment of a corps of apprentices for the navy; to a retired list, together with a report of the Secretary of the Navy—be referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

5. *Resolved*, That so much of said message as relates to the appointment of a commission to revise the public statutes of the United States; to the establishment of a uniform fee bill; to the appointment of a commission to settle all private claims against the United States; to the preservation and protection from mutilation or theft of the papers, records, and archives of the nation; to the prevention of frauds upon the government in applications for pensions and bounty lands; as recommends that provision be made by law for the punishment, not only of those who shall accept bribes, but also of those who shall either promise, give, or offer to give, to any officers or clerks, a bribe or reward, relating to any matter of their official action or duty; to the publication of the results of the seventh census—be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

6. *Resolved*, That so much of said message and accompanying documents as relates to our intercourse with the Indian tribes, be referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs; and that said committee be instructed to inquire into the expediency of reporting a bill authorizing and directing the Secretary of the Treasury to pay to certain tribes of Indians (their consent being thereto first had) the several amounts of money agreed, by treaty stipulations, to be invested in stocks, (and which have not been;) and also the further amount stipulated to be furnished by certain other treaties.

7. *Resolved*, That so much of said message and accompanying documents as relates to the Post Office Department, its condition and operation, together with the report of the Postmaster General, be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

8. *Resolved*, That so much of said message as relates to commerce and the improvement of harbors and rivers, be referred to the Committee on Commerce.

9. *Resolved*, That so much of said message and accompanying documents as relates to the public lands, their survey and sale; to the establishment of land offices for the sale of public lands in California and the Territory of Oregon—be referred to the Committee on Public Lands; and that so much of the President's annual message as relates to the public lands be, and the same is hereby, referred to the Committee on Agriculture, with instructions to report a bill to the House, graduating and reducing the price of the public lands, and prohibiting the further sale of the same to all persons other than those who shall become actual settlers and cultivators of the soil, and to them only in limited quantities.

10. *Resolved*, That so much of said message as relates to the establishment of an Agricultural Bureau, be referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

11. *Resolved*. That so much of said message as relates to the District of Columbia, be referred to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

12. *Resolved*, That so much of said message as relates to the public buildings, be referred to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

13. *Resolved*, That so much of said message as relates to patents; a periodical publication and distribution of an analytical digest of all the patents which have been or may hereafter be granted for useful inventions and discoveries—be referred to the Committee on Patents.

Mr. Houston moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put; and, under the operation thereof, all of the said resolutions except the 8th, upon which a separate vote was asked, were agreed to.

Mr. Houston moved that the vote by which the said resolutions were agreed to be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Pending the question on agreeing to the said 8th resolution,

Mr. Cartter moved, at 3 o'clock and 5 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The Speaker having again stated the question to be on agreeing to the said 8th resolution, the yeas and nays were ordered thereon.

And then,

On motion of Mr. Orr,

At 3 o'clock and 8 minutes p. m., the House adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1852.

The following petitions and joint resolutions were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Cabell: The joint resolutions of the legislature of the State of Florida, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Madison court-house to Clay landing, in Levy county, in said State; which were referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Allen: The petition of Elias Carpenter, an invalid of the war of 1812, praying for a pension.

By Mr. Ficklin: The petition of Thomas Thelkeld, an invalid of the war of 1812, praying for a pension.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. Cabell: The joint resolution of the legislature of the State of Florida, praying for a grant of land to the county of Levy, for the purpose of locating a county seat in said county.

By Mr. Doty: The petition of citizens of the State of Wisconsin, praying for an amendment to the acts granting lands for improvements and swamp lands to the States.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Landry: The petition of the church-wardens of the congregation of the Roman Catholic Church of Ascension, praying for the confirmation of the church land of the Parish of Ascension to all the white Roman Catholics of said parish; which was referred to the Committee on Private Land Claims.

By Mr. Jenkins: The petition of the Utica Steam Woollen Company, for an allowance of interest on moneys due them from the government; which was referred to the Committee of Claims.

By Mr. Fitch: The petition of the chiefs, headmen, and warriors of the Menomonee nation of Indians, praying additional compensation for lands sold to the United States by the treaty of October 18, 1848; which was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. Haws: The petition of C. Hanson, praying to be authorized to establish a line of mail-steamers between Brooklyn, New York, and Gluckstadt, on the Elbe, and praying for government aid; which was referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

By Mr. Snow: The petition of Alexander Humphreys—heretofore presented December 14, 1838; which was referred to the Committee of Claims.

The Speaker stated, as the business first in order, the eighth in the series of resolutions reported on yesterday from the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, and upon which the main question had been ordered to be put; which said resolution was read, and is as follows, viz:

Resolved, That so much of said message as relates to commerce and the improvement of harbors and rivers, be referred to the Committee on Commerce.

And the question being put, Will the House agree thereto?

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 85
Nays..... 68

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
John Allison
John Appleton
William Appleton
William S. Ashe
Leander Babcock
Obadiah Bowne
John H. Boyd
George Briggs
Alexander H. Buell
Lorenzo Burrows
E. Carrington Cabell
Joseph P. Caldwell
Joseph R. Chandler
William M. Churchwell
Carlton B. Curtis
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Thomas B. Florence.
Henry M. Fuller
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James Gamble
Joshua R. Giddings
Robert Goodenow
Ben. Edwards Grey
Galusha A. Grow
John H. H. Haws

Mr. Augustus P. Hascall
Solomon G. Haven
William Hebard
Bernhart Henn
John W. Howe
Thomas M. Howe
William F. Hunter
Willard Ives
Joseph W. Jackson
Timothy Jenkins
Robert W. Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George G. King
Preston King
J. Aristide Landry
Frederick S. Martin
Moses McDonald
John McNair
James Meacham
John G. Miller
Henry D. Moore
John Moore
James T. Morehead
John A. Morrison
William Murray
Eben Newton
David Outlaw
Andrew Parker

Mr. Alexander G. Penn
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Gilchrist Porter
Isaac Reed
George Read Riddle
John Robbins, jr.
Reuben Robie
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
John L. Schoolcraft
Zeno Scudder
David L. Seymour
Origen S. Seymour
Charles Skelton
Ephraim K. Smart
William W. Snow
Edward Stanly
Abr'm P. Stephens
Louis St. Martin
John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston
Thomas Y. Walsh
William T. Ward
Israel Washburn, jr.
Albert G. Watkins
John Welch
John Wells
Addison White
Christopher H. Williams.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
Willis Allen
Thomas H. Averett
James M. H. Beale
Hiram Bell
John C. Breckenridge
Samuel Brenton
Albert G. Brown
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
Lewis D. Campbell
Thompson Campbell
Elijah W. Chastain
Lincoln Clark
Sherrard Clemens
Chauncey F. Cleveland
Williamson R. W. Cobb
William Cullom
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
David T. Disney
Henry A. Edmundson
John G. Floyd

Mr. John D. Freeman
James M. Gaylord
Alfred Gilmore
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Willard P. Hall
Alexander Harper
Isaham G. Harris
Sampson W. Harris
Thomas A. Hendricks
Harvy Hibbard
Junius Hillyer
George S. Houston
Colin M. Ingersoll
Andrew Johnson
James Johnson
John Johnson
George W. Jones
J. Glancy Jones
William H. Kurtz
John Letcher
James Lockhart
Daniel Mace

Mr. John C. Mason
Richard K. Meade
John S. Millson
Richard S. Molony
Charles Murphy
Benjamin D. Nabers
Edson B. Olds
Charles H. Peaselee
John S. Phelps
William H. Polk
William A. Richardson
John L. Robinson
William R. Smith
Benjamin Stanton
Frederick P. Stanton
Richard H. Stanton
James W. Stone
Norton S. Townshend
Abraham W. Venable
John A. Wilcox
Isaac Wildrick
Joseph A. Woodward

So the said resolution was agreed to.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickens, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed resolutions of the following titles, viz:

S. 5. A resolution authorizing the President of the United States to confer the title of lieutenant general by brevet for eminent services;

S. 64. A resolution for the appointment of Regents in the Smithsonian Institution;

in which resolutions I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House. And then he withdrew.

Mr. Gorman, from the Committee on Printing, reported the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That two hundred extra copies of the President's message, and accompanying documents, be printed for the use of the head of each executive department of the government.

After debate,

The question was put, under the operation of the previous question, Will the House agree thereto?

And it was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 96
Nays..... 72

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
Willis Allen
John Allison
John Appleton
Leander Babcock
Hiram Bell
Richard I. Bowie
Obadiah Bowne
John H. Boyd
John C. Breckenridge
Samuel Brenton
George Briggs
Lorenzo Burrows
George H. Busby
E. Carrington Cabell
Joseph P. Caldwell
Lewis D. Campbell
Thompson Campbell
Joseph E. Chandler
Charles Chapman
Elijah W. Chastain
William M. Churchwell
Lincoln Clark
Thomas L. Clingman
James L. Conger
William Cullom
John F. Darby
Milo M. Dimmick
David T. Disney
Alfred Dockery
James Duane Doty
Ben. C. Eastman

Mr. Alexander Evans
Thomas B. Florence
Henry M. Fuller
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James Gamble
James M. Gaylord
Robert Goodenow
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Ben. Edwards Grey
Galusha A. Grow
Willard P. Hall
Alexander Harper
Sampson W. Harris
John H. H. Haws
Augustus P. Hascall
Solomon G. Haven
Thomas A. Hendricks
Bernhart Henn
Junius Hillyer
Jerediah Horsford
Thomas M. Howe
Joseph W. Jackson
John Johnson
George G. King
J. Aristide Landry
John C. Mason
Moses McDonald
John McNair
James Meacham
John G. Miller
Richard S. Molony

Mr. Henry D. Moore
John Moore
James T. Morehead
John A. Morrison
Eben Newton
Andrew Parker
Samuel W. Parker
Alexander G. Penn
Jared Perkins
William H. Polk
Gilchrist Porter
William Preston
John L. Robinson
William A. Sackett
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
John L. Schoolcraft
Zeno Scudder
Origen S. Seymour
Ephraim K. Smart
Frederick P. Stanton
Richard H. Stanton
James F. Strother
John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston
Henry S. Walbridge
Thomas Y. Walsh
William T. Ward
Israel Washburn, jr.
Albert G. Watkins
Alexander White
John A. Wilcox
Christopher H. Williams.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
Thomas H. Averett
James M. H. Beale
Henry Bennett
Thomas S. Bocock

Mr. John Bragg
Alexander H. Buell
Joseph Cable
David K. Cartter
Sherrard Clemens

Mr. Chauncey F. Cleveland
Williamson R. W. Cobb
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
James H. Duncan

Mr. Henry A. Edmondson	Mr. James Johnson	Mr. William A. Richardson
Charles J. Faulkner	Daniel T. Jones	John Robbins, jr.
Orlando B. Ficklin	George W. Jones	Reuben Robie
John G. Floyd	J. Glancy Jones	Thomas Ross
John D. Freeman	Preston King	Joseph Russell
Joshua R. Giddings	William H. Kurtz	John H. Savage
Alfred Gilmore	John Letcher	Charles Skelton
Isam G. Harris	James Lockhart	William R. Smith
Emanuel B. Hart	Daniel Mace	Edward Stanly
William Hebard	Fayette McMullen	Benjamin Stanton
Harry Hibbard	John S. Millson	Abr'm P. Stephens
Alexander R. Holladay	Charles Murphy	James W. Stone
George S. Houston	William Murrah	Louis St. Martin
Volney E. Howard	Benjamin D. Nabers	Norton S. Townshend
John W. Howe	Edson B. Olds	Abraham W. Venable
Colin M. Ingersoll	James L. Orr	John Welch
Willard Ives	Ebenezer J. Penniman	Addison White
Timothy Jenkins	John S. Phelps	Isaac Wildrick
Andrew Johnson	Isaac Reed	Joseph A. Woodward.

So the said resolution was agreed to.

Mr. Strother moved that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; which motion was disagreed to.

The regular order of business being called for,

The Speaker proceeded to call the States for petitions, beginning with the State of Maine.

Mr. Cleveland presented the petition of sundry underwriters, merchants, and others of New London, relative to the erection of signals at certain points along the line of the Florida reef; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce;

Also, the petition of sundry surviving widows and heirs of soldiers in the war of 1812, praying for pensions for life; which was referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Mr. Hebard presented the petition of Zachariah Bassett, praying for bounty land on account of revolutionary services; which was referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Florence presented the proceedings of a meeting of the soldiers of the war of 1812, in favor of a grant of one hundred and sixty acres of land to the soldiers of that war;

Also, the proceedings of a meeting of the soldiers of the war of 1812, held at Wilkesbarre, Pennsylvania, of similar import;

Also, the petition of citizens of the county of Philadelphia, of similar import; which petition and proceedings were referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Mr. Henry D. Moore presented the petition of citizens of the county of Philadelphia, asking a modification of the bounty-land act of September, 1850; which was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Mr. Faulkner presented the petition of Arch'd M. Kitzmiller, for extra compensation for legal services rendered the United States at Harper's Ferry; which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Venable presented the petition of sundry citizens of North Carolina, against the appointment of chaplains for Congress and in the

army and navy of the United States; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Orr presented the petition of Milley Secrest, praying for a pension for life on account of the services of her husband, Leroy Secrest, in the Creek, Florida, and Mexican wars; which was referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Mr. James Johnson presented the memorial of the State of Georgia, relative to losses sustained by her citizens, and those of the State of Alabama, by reason of Indian hostilities; which was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs. ●

Mr. Watkins presented the petition of John F. Robertson, praying for a pension on account of wounds received in the service of the United States; which was referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Mr. Cable presented the petition of citizens of Scroggsfield, Ohio, in favor of a removal of the seat of the general government;

Debate arising thereon, the said petition was laid over under the rule.

Mr. Bell presented the petition of citizens of Winchester, Ohio, for a pension to William Morris; which was referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Mr. Samuel W. Parker presented the petition of Stephen Austin, of Cass county, of the United States marine corps during the late war with Great Britain, asking that the provisions of the bounty-land act of September, 1850, be extended to himself and others rendering similar service; which was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Mr. Lockhart presented the petition of the president of the Evansville and Illinois Railroad Company, asking for a grant of land to aid in the construction of said road; which was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Mr. Phelps presented the petition of the county court of McDonald county, Missouri, asking the privilege of relinquishing certain school lands and selecting other lands in lieu thereof; which was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Mr. Doty presented the petition of Wm. A. Prentiss, and four hundred and forty-eight other citizens of Milwaukie, for a grant of land in aid of the construction of the lake-shore railroad in the State of Wisconsin; which was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Mr. Henn presented sundry petitions of citizens of Iowa and Illinois, asking that the office of chaplain may be abolished; which were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Wildrick, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined a bill and joint resolution of the House of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 164. An act for the relief of James A. Fawns;

H. R. 29. Joint resolution authorizing the settlement of the account of the public printer for paper used by him since the 1st of November, 1852;

and found the same truly enrolled; when the Speaker signed the said bill and joint resolution.

The call of the States for petitions having been gone through with, the Speaker proceeded to call the committees for reports:

Mr. Williams, from the Committee of Elections, reported the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the Clerk be directed to pay to John S. Littell his per diem and mileage, as are usually allowed to members of Congress, from the commencement of the Thirty-first Congress to the 11th day of September, 1850, inclusive; the contest for a seat between him and the honorable John Robbins, jr., having been decided on that day.

The same having been read,

Mr. George W. Jones moved that it be laid on the table; which motion was disagreed to.

The question was then put, Will the House agree to the said resolution?

And it was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 83
Nays..... 74

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
John Allison
William S. Ashe
Thomas H. Bayly
Henry Bennett
Richard I. Bowie
Obadiah Bowne
John H. Boyd
John C. Breckenridge
Lorenzo Burrows
E. Carrington Cabell
Lewis D. Campbell
John S. Caskie
Joseph R. Chandler
Charles Chapman
Elijah W. Chastain
Sherrard Clemens
Channcey F. Cleveland
Carlton B. Curtis
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
John L. Dawson
David T. Disney
Alfred Dockery
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Alexander Evans
Thomas B. Florence

Mr. James Gamble
James M. Gaylord
Alfred Gilmore
Robert Goodenow
Ben. Edwards Grey
Willard P. Hall
Alexander Harper
Sampson W. Harris
Augustus P. Hascall
Bernhart Henn
Junius Hillyer
Jerediah Horsford
Volney E. Howard
Thomas M. Howe
Colln M. Ingersoll
Joseph W. Jackson
J. Glancy Jones
George G. King
William H. Kurtz
John C. Mason
James X. McLanahan
Fayette McMullen
John McNair
James Meacham
John G. Miller
Henry D. Moore
John A. Morrison
Eben Newton

Mr. David Outlaw
Andrew Parker
William H. Polk
Gilechrist Porter
Paulus Powell
William Preston
Rodman M. Price
Isaac Reed
George Read Riddle
John Robbins, jr.
Reuben Robie
William A. Sackett
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
John L. Schoolcraft
Origen S. Seymour
Edward Stanly
Benjamin Stanton
Frederick P. Stanton
Abr'm P. Stephens
Alexander H. Stephens
John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston
Thomas Y. Walsh
William T. Ward
Israel Washburn, jr.
Albert G. Watkins
Christopher H. Williams.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Willis Allen
Thomas H. Averett
Leander Babcock
Thomas S. Bocoock
John Bragg
Samuel Brenton
George Briggs
Alexander H. Buell
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
Joseph P. Caldwell
Thompson Campbell
David K. Cartter
William M. Churchwell
Thomas L. Clingman

Mr. Williamson R. W. Cobb
William Cullom
John G. Davis
Ben. C. Eastman
Henry A. Edmundson
Charles J. Faulkner
Graham N. Fitch
John G. Floyd
John D. Freeman
Thomas J. D. Fuller
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Galusha A. Grow
Isham G. Harris
Harry Hibbard

Mr. Alexander R. Holladay
George S. Houston
John W. Howe
William F. Hunter
Willard Ives
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
James Johnson
Robert W. Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George W. Jones
Preston King
John Letcher
James Lockhart
Daniel Mace

Mr. Moses McDonald
John S. Millson
Richard S. Molony
James T. Morehead
Charles Murphy
William Murray
Benjamin D. Nabers
Edson B. Olds
James L. Orr
Samuel W. Parker

Mr. Alexander G. Penn
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Jared Perkins
John S. Phelps
Thomas Ross
John H. Savage
Charles Skelton
Ephraim K. Smart
William R. Smith
William W. Snow

Mr. Louis St. Martin
Charles E. Stuart
Norton S. Townshend
Henry S. Walbridge
John Welch
John Wells
John A. Wilcox
Isaac Wildrick
Joseph A. Woodward.

So the said resolution was agreed to.

Mr. Henry D. Moore moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Gamble, from the Committee of Elections, reported the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the Clerk of this House be directed to pay Hendrick B. Wright, contestant in the contested election case from the eleventh congressional district of Pennsylvania, in the first session of the Thirty-second Congress, the same daily pay and mileage paid to members of this House, from the first day of said session until the second day of July following, inclusive, being the day on which said contest was decided.

And the question being put, Will the House agree thereto?

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 100
Nays..... 50

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
William Aiken
John Allison
William Appleton
William S. Ashe
Thomas H. Bayly
Richard I. Bowie
John Bragg
George H. Busby
E. Carrington Cabell
Joseph Cable
Lewis D. Campbell
John S. Caskie
Joseph R. Chandler
Charles Chapman
Elijah W. Chastain
Lincoln Clark
Sherrard Clemens
Chauncey F. Cleveland
Carlton B. Curtis
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
John L. Dawson
David T. Disney
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Alexander Evans
Presley Ewing
Orlando B. Ficklin
Thomas B. Florence

Mr. John G. Floyd
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James Gamble
James M. Gaylord
Alfred Gilmore
Robert Goodenow
Frederick W. Green
Galusha A. Grow
Willard P. Hall
Sampson W. Harris
Emanuel B. Hart
Solomon G. Haven
Thomas A. Hendricks
Bernhart Henn
Harry Hibbard
Junius Hillyer
Volney E. Howard
Thomas M. Howe
Colin M. Ingersoll
Joseph W. Jackson
Robert W. Johnson
J. Glancy Jones
George G. King
William H. Kurtz
James Lockhart
Daniel Mace
Moses McDonald
James X. McLanahan
Fayette McMullen
John McNair

Mr. Richard K. Meade
John G. Miller
Richard S. Molony
Henry D. Moore
John A. Morrison
Charles Murphy
William Murray
Benjamin D. Nabers
Eben Newton
Edson B. Olds
David Outlaw
Andrew Parker
William H. Polk
Gilchrist Porter
William Preston
Rodman M. Price
Isaac Reed
George Read Riddle
John Robbins, jr.
Reuben Robie
Thomas Ross
Origen S. Seymour
Charles Skelton
William R. Smith
Edward Stanly
Benjamin Stanton
Frederick P. Stanton
Abr'm P. Stephens
Alexander H. Stephens
Charles E. Stuart

Mr. John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston
Norton S. Townshend
Abraham W. Venable

Mr. Thomas Y. Walsh
William T. Ward
Israel Washburn, jr.

Mr. Albert G. Watkins
Addison White
Christopher H. Williams.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Thomas H. Averett
Leander Babcock
Hiram Bell
Henry Bennett
Thomas S. Bocock
Samuel Brenton
George Briggs
Alexander H. Buell
Joseph P. Caldwell
David K. Cartter
William M. Churchwell
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
William Cullom
John G. Davis
Alfred Dockery
Ben. C. Eastman

Mr. Henry A. Edmundson
Charles J. Faulkner
Graham N. Fitch
Willis A. Gorman
Ben. Edwards Grey
Isam G. Harris
William Hebard
Jerediah Hornsford
George S. Houston
John W. Howe
William F. Hunter
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
James Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George W. Jones
John Letcher

Mr. Frederick S. Martin
John S. Millson
James T. Morehead
James L. Orr
Samuel W. Parker
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Jared Perkins
John S. Phelps
John H. Savage
Ephraim K. Smart
William W. Snow
Henry S. Walbridge
John Welch
John Wells
John A. Wilcox
Joseph A. Woodward.

So the said resolution was agreed to.

Mr. Gamble moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have agreed to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the Senate (No. 32) "for the relief of Margaret L. Worth."

The Senate have passed, without amendment, the bill of the House (No. 331) "granting to the Sackett's Harbor and Ellisburg Railroad Company the right of way through the military reservation at Sackett's Harbor, New York."

They have also passed a resolution of the following title, viz:

S. 65. A resolution explanatory of the act appropriating money for the removal of the raft of Red river; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Bell gave notice, under the rule, of his intention to move for leave to introduce a bill "to amend the bounty-land and pension laws."

Mr. George T. Davis, from the Committee of Elections, reported the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the Clerk of this House pay to John Taliaferro, of Virginia, the same compensation per diem and mileage that was allowed to members of Congress, computing the per diem from the commencement of the first session of the Twelfth Congress till the 2d of December, 1811; also, that he pay the said Taliaferro a like compensation per diem and mileage from the commencement of the first session of the Thirteenth Congress to and including the 2d of August, 1813; and the like compensation per diem and mileage, computing the per diem from the commencement of the second session of the Thirteenth Congress to and including February 17, 1814.

After debate,

Mr. Ashe moved to amend the same by adding after "Congress," where it first occurs, the words "*under the then existing law;*"

Pending which,

Mr. Ashe moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Will the House agree to the said amendment?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

A division of the question being called for,

The Speaker stated the question to be first upon agreeing to the *first branch* of the said resolution; which was read, and is as follows, viz:

Resolved, That the Clerk of this House pay to John Taliaferro, of Virginia, the same compensation per diem and mileage that was allowed to members of Congress under the then existing law, computing the per diem from the commencement of the first session of the Twelfth Congress till the 2d of December, 1811.

And the question being put, Will the House agree thereto?

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 98
Nays..... 51

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
Willis Allen
John Appleton
William S. Ashe
Hiram Bell
Henry Bennett
Thomas S. Boccock
Richard I. Bowie
Obadiah Bowne
Samuel Brenton
George Briggs
Albert G. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
George H. Busby
E. Carrington Cabell
Lewis D. Campbell
Thompson Campbell
David K. Cartter
John S. Caskie
Joseph R. Chandler
Charles Chapman
Sherrard Clemens
Chauncey F. Cleveland
Carlton B. Curtis
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
Alfred Dockery
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Henry A. Edmundson
Charles J. Faulkner
Thomas B. Florence
John G. Floyd

Mr. John D. Freeman
Henry M. Fuller
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James Gamble
James M. Gaylord
Alfred Gilmore
Ben. Edwards Grey
Galusha A. Grow
Willard P. Hall
Alexander Harper
Isaham G. Harris
Sampson W. Harris
John H. H. Haws
William Hebard
Alexander R. Holladay
Volney E. Howard
John W. Howe
Thomas M. Howe
Colin M. Ingersoll
Robert W. Johnson
George G. King
William H. Kurtz
J. Aristide Landry
James Lockhart
Frederick S. Martin
James X. McLanahan
John McNair
James Meacham
Richard K. Meade
John G. Miller
Richard S. Molony
Henry D. Moore
John Moore

Mr. John A. Morrison
Eben Newton
David Outlaw
Andrew Parker
Samuel W. Parker
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Gilchrist Porter
Rodman M. Price
Isaac Reed
John Robbins, jr.
William A. Sackett
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
Origen S. Seymour
Charles Skelton
Ephraim K. Smart
Edward Stanly
Benjamin Stanton
Frederick P. Stanton
Abr'm P. Stephens
Alexander H. Stephens
James F. Strother
John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston
Abraham W. Venable
Henry S. Walbridge
Thomas Y. Walsh
William T. Ward
Israel Washburn, jr.
Albert G. Watkins
John Welch
Addison White
Christopher H. Williams.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
Thomas H. Averett
Leander Babcock

Mr. Alexander H. Buell
Joseph P. Caldwell
Elijah W. Chastain

Mr. William M. Churchwell
Williamson R. W. Cobb
James L. Conger

Mr. William Cullom	Mr. William F. Hunter	Mr. Benjamin D. Nabers
John G. Davis	Willard Ives	James L. Orr
Ben. C. Eastman	Joseph W. Jackson	Charles H. Peaselee
Orlando B. Ficklin	Timothy Jenkins	Alexander G. Penn
Graham N. Fitch	Andrew Johnson	John S. Phelps
Joshua R. Giddings	James Johnson	William A. Richardson
Willis A. Gorman	Daniel T. Jones	John L. Robinson
Emanuel B. Hart	George W. Jones	Thomas Ross
Solomon G. Haven	Preston King	John H. Savage
Thomas A. Hendricks	John Letcher	Charles E. Stuart
Bernhart Henn	Daniel Mace	Norton S. Townshend
Junius Hillyer	Fayette McMullen	John A. Wilcox
Jeremiah Horwford	John S. Millson	Isaac Wildrick
George S. Houston	James T. Morehead	Joseph A. Woodward.



So the *first branch* of the said resolution was agreed to.

Mr. Ashe moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

The *second branch* of the said resolution was then read, as follows, viz:

Also, that he pay the said Taliaferro a like compensation per diem and mileage from the commencement of the first session of the Thirteenth Congress to and including the 2d of August, 1813; and the like compensation per diem and mileage, computing the per diem from the commencement of the second session of the Thirteenth Congress to and including February 17, 1814.

And the question being put, Will the House agree thereto?

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas.....	57
{ Nays.....	75

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie	Mr. Galusha A. Grow	Mr. Gilchrist Porter
William S. Ashe	Alexander Harper	Rodman M. Price
Richard I. Bowie	John H. H. Haws	Isaac Reed
Obadiah Bowne	William Hebard	George Read Riddle
John H. Boyd	Alexander R. Holladay	William A. Sackett
E. Carrington Cabell	John W. Howe	Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
Lewis D. Campbell	Thomas M. Howe	Origen S. Seymour
John S. Caakie	George G. King	Edward Stanly
Joseph R. Chandler	William H. Kurts	Benjamin Stanton
Charles Chapman	J. Aristide Landry	Abr'm P. Stephens
Chauncey F. Cleveland	John McNair	James F. Strother
John F. Darby	James Meacham	John L. Taylor
Alfred Dockery	John G. Miller	Thomas Y. Walsh
James H. Duncan	Henry D. Moore	William T. Ward
Thomas B. Florence	John Moore	Israel Washburn, jr
John D. Freeman	Eben Newton	Albert G. Watkins
Henry M. Fuller	David Outlaw	John Welch
James Gamble	Andrew Parker	Addison White
Alfred Gilmore	Samuel W. Parker	Christopher H. Williams.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Willis Allen	Mr. Elijah W. Chastain	Mr. Orlando B. Ficklin
Leander Babcock	William M. Churchwell	Graham N. Fitch
Hiram Bell	Sherrard Clemens	James M. Gaylord
Thomas S. Bocock	James L. Conger	Joshua R. Giddings
George Briggs	William Cullom	Willis A. Gorman
Alexander H. Buell	George T. Davis	Willard P. Hall
George H. Busby	John G. Davis	Isham G. Harris
Joseph P. Caldwell	Ben. C. Eastman	Sampson W. Harris
David K. Cartter	Henry A. Edmundson	Emanuel B. Hart

Mr. Solomon G. Haven
 Thomas A. Hendricks
 Bernhart Henn
 Junius Hillyer
 Jerediah Horsford
 George S. Houston
 Volney E. Howard
 William F. Hunter
 Colin M. Ingersoll
 Willard Ives
 Joseph W. Jackson
 Timothy Jenkins
 Andrew Johnson
 Daniel T. Jones
 George W. Jones
 Preston King

Mr. John Letcher
 James Lockhart
 Daniel Mace
 Fayette McMullen
 Richard K. Meade
 John S. Millson
 Richard S. Molony
 James T. Morehead
 John A. Morrison
 Charles Murphy
 Benjamin D. Nabers
 James L. Orr
 Charles H. Peaslee
 Alexander G. Penn
 Ebenezer J. Penniman
 John S. Phelps

Mr. William H. Polk
 Paulus Powell
 William A. Richardson
 John Robbins, jr.
 John L. Robinson
 Thomas Ross
 John H. Savage
 Charles Skelton
 Ephraim K. Smart
 William W. Snow
 Charles E. Stuart
 Benjamin B. Thurston
 Norton S. Townshend
 Abraham W. Venable
 John A. Wilcox
 Isaac Wildrick.

So the *second branch* of the said resolution was disagreed to.

Mr. George T. Davis moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered;
 Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Sackett,

At 3 o'clock and 35 minutes p. m., the House adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1852.

The following petitions, memorial, and other papers were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Richard H. Stanton: The petition of Zebulon Alphin, a soldier of the revolution, praying for a pension; which was referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions.

By Mr. Hibbard: The petition of Bela Young, an invalid of the war of 1812, praying for increase of pension; which was referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. Bernhisel: The memorial of the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Utah, praying for a triangulation or geodetic survey of said Territory; which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Phelps: The petition of Moses D. Hogan, praying for compensation for property destroyed by the Sioux Indians; which was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. Thomas J. D. Fuller: The petition of citizens of the State of Maine, praying for the erection of a breakwater on the island of Martinicus, in said State.

By Mr. Holladay: The petition of citizens of the State of Virginia, praying for an appropriation to improve the Rappahannock river.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Commerce.

On motion of Mr. Robert W. Johnson, by unanimous consent, the resolution of the Senate (No. 65) "explanatory of the act appropriating money for the removal of the raft of Red river," was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Pending the question on its third reading,

Mr. Robert W. Johnson moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Shall the said resolution be read a third time?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

The resolution was accordingly read the third time.

The question was then put, Shall the said resolution pass?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Robert W. Johnson moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

The regular order of business having been called for,

The Speaker announced, as first in order, the joint resolution (H. R. No. 30) "authorizing the employment of two clerks and one messenger in the office of the Superintendent of the Public Printing"—heretofore reported from the Joint Committee on Printing, and the further consideration of which was postponed until this day.

The Speaker stated the question to be on its engrossment.

After debate,

Mr. Richard H. Stanton moved the previous question; which was seconded.

Pending the question on ordering the main question,

Mr. Cable moved that the said resolution be laid on the table.

And the question being put, no quorum voted.

Pending the question on the said motion,

Mr. James Johnson moved, at 12 o'clock and 50 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Richardson,

Ordered, That when the House adjourns, it adjourn until Monday next.

The question then recurring on the motion to adjourn,

Mr. James Johnson withdrew the same.

Mr. Millson moved that the vote by which the House had agreed to adjourn until Monday next be reconsidered;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Clingman, the said motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Mr. Thompson Campbell moved, at 1 o'clock p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurred on the motion of Mr. Cable to lay on the table the joint resolution No. 30;

And being put,

It was decided in the negative.

The question then recurring on ordering the main question to be put,

It was decided in the affirmative.

The question then recurred on the engrossment of the joint resolution;

And being put,

It was ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time.

The question then being on its passage,

It was put,

And decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 74
Nays..... 77

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
Willis Allen
William Appleton
Thomas H. Bayly
Richard I. Bowie
Obadiah Bowne
John H. Boyd
George Briggs
Lorenzo Burrows
George H. Busby
Joseph P. Caldwell
Lewis D. Campbell
David K. Cartter
Joseph R. Chandler
Charles Chapman
Elijah W. Chastain
Chauncey F. Cleveland
Thomas L. Clingman
James L. Conger
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
Alfred Dockery
James Duane Doty
Ben. C. Eastman
Thomas B. Florence

Mr. Thomas J. D. Fuller
Robert Goodenow
Willis A. Gorman
Galusha A. Grow
Alexander Harper
Solomon G. Haven
William Hebard
Bernhart Henn
Jerediah Horsford
Thomas M. Howe
William F. Hunter
Joseph W. Jackson
James Johnson
John Johnson
J. Aristide Landry
Daniel Mace
Moses McDonald
John McNair
James Meacham
John G. Miller
Richard S. Molony
Henry D. Moore
John Moore
James T. Morehead
Eben Newton

Mr. James L. Orr
Andrew Parker
Samuel W. Parker
William Preston
Rodman M. Price
William A. Sackett
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
John L. Schoolcraft
Zeno Scudder
Edward Stanly
Benjamin Stanton
Frederick P. Stanton
Richard H. Stanton
Abr'm P. Stephens
Louis St. Martin
James F. Strother
John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston
Abraham W. Venable
Thomas Y. Walsh
Israel Washburn, jr.
John Welch
Addison White
Christopher H. Williams.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. William Aiken
John Allison
John Appleton
William S. Ashe
Thomas H. Averett
Leander Babcock
James M. H. Beale
Hiram Bell
Thomas S. Bocoock
Samuel Brenton
Albert G. Brown
Alexander H. Buell
Joseph Cable
John S. Caskie
Sherrard Clemens
Williamson R. W. Cobb
Carlton B. Curtis
John G. Davis
Cyrus L. Dunham
Henry A. Edmundson
Orlando B. Ficklin
Graham N. Fitch
John G. Floyd
James M. Gaylord
Frederick W. Green
Ben. Edwards Grey

Mr. Isham G. Harris
Sampson W. Harris
Thomas A. Hendricks
Harry Hibbard
Alexander R. Holladay
George S. Houston
Volney E. Howard
John W. Howe
Colin M. Ingersoll
Willard Ives
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
Robert W. Johnson
George W. Jones
J. Glancy Jones
Preston King
William H. Kurtz
John Letcher
James Lockhart
John C. Mason
James X. McLanahan
Fayette McMullen
Richard K. Meade
John S. Millson
Charles Murphy
William Murray

Mr. Benjamin D. Nabers
Edson B. Olds
Charles H. Peaslee
Alexander G. Penn
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Jared Perkins
Paulus Powell
Isaac Reed
George Read Riddle
John Robbins, jr.
Reuben Robie
John L. Robinson
John H. Savage
Origen S. Seymour
Charles Skelton
William R. Smith
Charles E. Stuart
Norton S. Townshend
Henry S. Walbridge
Daniel Wallace
Albert G. Watkins
John Wells
John A. Wilcox
Isaac Wildrick
Joseph A. Woodward.

So the said joint resolution was rejected.

Mr. Houston, by unanimous consent, from the Committee of Ways and Means, reported bills of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 335. A bill to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1853;

H. R. 336. A bill making appropriations for the support of the army for the year ending June 30, 1854;

H. R. 337. A bill making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of government for the year ending June 30, 1854;

Which were severally read a first and second time, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, and, together with certain papers relating to the first and last of said bills, ordered to be printed.

The Speaker, by unanimous consent, proceeded to lay before the House sundry executive communications, viz:

I. A letter from the Secretary of State, transmitting an abstract of the returns of American seamen.

Ordered, That the said letter and accompanying documents be laid on the table, and printed.

II. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting additional estimates for the Indian service, &c.

Ordered, That the said letter and accompanying documents be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means, and printed.

III. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting estimates, &c., for continuing river and harbor improvements.

Ordered, That the said letter and accompanying documents be referred to the Committee on Commerce, and printed.

IV. A letter from the Treasurer of the United States, transmitting copies of accounts adjusted at his office.

Ordered, That the said letter and accompanying documents be laid on the table, and printed.

V. A letter from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting a statement of balances.

Ordered, That the said letter and accompanying statement be laid on the table, and printed.

VI. A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting a statement of appropriations expended, balances, &c.

Ordered, That the said letter and accompanying statement be laid on the table, and printed.

The Speaker also laid before the House a preamble and resolutions of the Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia, on the subject of the encouragement of scientific researches by the general government; which were referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

The Speaker then proceeded to call the States for petitions; when

Mr. Faulkner presented the petition of Anne E. Bronaugh, praying that a certain judgment in favor of the United States against her husband's estate may be released to her; which was referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Sampson W. Harris moved, at 1 o'clock and 45 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The Speaker then proceeded to call the committees for reports; when

Mr. Ashe, from the Committee of Elections, reported the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House pay to Charles J. Ingersoll, of Pennsylvania, out of the contingent fund, the same per diem and

mileage allowed to members of Congress, computing the same from the commencement of the Twenty-sixth Congress to the 1st of July, 1840, inclusive, for contesting the seat between him and Charles Naylor; that being the day on which the case was decided.

After debate,

Mr. Ashe moved the previous question;

Pending which,

Mr. Letcher moved that the resolution be laid on the table.

Pending which,

The yeas and nays having been ordered thereon,

On motion of Mr. Mace,

At 2 o'clock and 10 minutes p. m., the House adjourned until Monday next.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1852.

The following petitions were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Sweetser: The petition of citizens of Ohio, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Mount Gilead, in Morrow county, to Sparta, in said State.

By Mr. Wilcox: The petition of citizens of the State of Mississippi, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Aberdeen to Yazoo city, in said State.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Abercrombie: The petition of Susannah T. Thornton, praying for relief on account of the services of her father, William McMaster, for revolutionary services; which was referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions.

By Mr. Doty: Three petitions of citizens of the State of Wisconsin, praying for a grant of public lands to aid in the construction of the lake-shore railroad in said State; which were referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Venable: Three petitions of citizens of the State of North Carolina, remonstrating against the employment of chaplains; which were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Molony: The petition of the heirs of Elijah Hall, praying for indemnity on account of spoliations committed by the French prior to the year 1800; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. Robert W. Johnson: The petition of the chiefs, headmen, and people at large of the Muscogee or Creek Indian nation, praying for commutation in money for a large quantity of land granted to them; which was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. Weightman: The petition of citizens of the United States, asking for the enactment of a law granting to Brevet Major J. G. Martin, of the United States army, who lost his right arm at the battle of Churubusco, one extra servant; which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. ———: The petition of Jabez Stone, inventor of

a new mode of guiding a ship, praying for a suitable compensation for his said discovery.

By Mr. David L. Seymour: The petition of pastors of churches, and others in the diocese of Albany, in the State of New York, praying for the remission of duties on certain consecrated articles of church service imported and used for said churches.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. Perkins: The petition of Curtis Moore, praying for an amendment of the patent laws; which was referred to the Committee on Patents.

Mr. Smart, by unanimous consent, submitted the following resolution; which was read, and, by unanimous consent, considered and agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That the President be requested to communicate to this body, if not incompatible with the public interest, what measures (if any) have been taken, since the 27th day of January, 1852, for the indemnification, by the Spanish government, of the captains, owners, and crews of the barque "Georgiana" and brig "Susan Loud," in consequence of the capture and confiscation of said barque and brig by the Spanish authorities.

Mr. Wildrick, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee did, on the 23d instant, present to the President of the United States bills and joint resolutions of the following titles, viz:

S. 448. An act authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue registers to vessels in certain cases;

S. 54. A resolution explanatory of an act supplementary to an act approved May 23, 1850;

S. 553. An act to amend the act approved August 31, 1852, in reference to the appropriation for continuing the survey of the Mexican boundary;

H. R. 164. An act for the relief of James A. Fawns;

H. R. 29. Joint resolution authorizing the settlement of the account of the public printer for paper used by him since November 1, 1852.

A message was received from the President of the United States, by Millard P. Fillmore, his private secretary, notifying the House that he did, on the 23d instant, approve and sign a bill and joint resolution of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 164. An act for the relief of James A. Fawns;

H. R. 29. Joint resolution authorizing the settlement of the account of the public printer for paper used by him since November 1, 1852.

The Speaker having announced, as the business first in order, the motion submitted on Monday last by Mr. Isham G. Harris, and pending when the House adjourned on that day, to suspend the rules, so as to enable him to submit the following resolution, viz—

Resolved, That there be paid to Francis H. Smith, out of the contingent fund of the House, one hundred and fifty dollars, for his services in reporting the evidence taken before the Committee on the Judiciary, relative to the charges against the Hon. John C. Watrous, district judge for the district of Texas—

And objection to submitting the same having been withdrawn,

The question was put on agreeing thereto; and no quorum voted.
Mr. Lewis D. Campbell moved a call of the House; which motion was disagreed to.

A quorum being now present,

The question was again put on agreeing to the said resolution,

And it was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 108
Nays..... 33

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie	Mr. Thomas B. Florence	Mr. John S. Millson
William Aiken	John D. Freeman	Richard S. Molony
Willis Allen	Thomas J. D. Fuller	John Moore
John Appleton	James Gamble	John A. Morrison
William Appleton	James M. Gaylord	William Murray
William S. Ashe	Willis A. Gorman	Edson B. Olds
Leander Babcock	Frederick W. Green	James L. Orr
Thomas H. Bayly	Ben. Edwards Grey	Samuel W. Parker
James M. H. Beale	Galusha A. Grow	Charles H. Peaslee
Obadiah Bowne	Alexander Harper	Alexander G. Penn
John Bragg	Isham G. Harris	Gilchrist Porter
John C. Breckenridge	Sampson W. Harris	Paulus Powell
George Briggs	Emanuel B. Hart	William Preston
Albert G. Brown	Solomon G. Haven	George Read Riddle
Alexander H. Buell	Thomas A. Hendricks	John L. Robinson
Lorenzo Burrows	Harry Hibbard	Zeno Scudder
Armistead Burt	Junius Hillyer	David L. Seymour
George H. Busby	Jerediah Horsford	Origen S. Seymour
Joseph P. Caldwell	George S. Houston	Ephraim G. Smart
Lewis D. Campbell	Volney E. Howard	Benjamin Stanton
Joseph R. Chandler	Thomas M. Howe	Frederick P. Stanton
Charles Chapman	Colin M. Ingersoll	Richard H. Stanton
Elijah W. Chastain	Willard Ives	Abr'm P. Stephens
William M. Churchwell	Joseph W. Jackson	Alexander H. Stephens
Lincoln Clark	Andrew Johnson	James W. Stone
Sherrard Clemens	James Johnson	Louis St. Martin
Chauncey F. Cleveland	Robert W. Johnson	John L. Taylor
Thomas L. Clingman	Daniel T. Jones	Benjamin B. Thurston
Williamson R. W. Cobb	George W. Jones	Abraham W. Venable
James L. Conger	J. Glancy Jones	Albert G. Watkins
Carlton B. Curtis	George G. King	John Welch
John F. Darby	William H. Kurtz	Addison White
John G. Davis	J. Aristide Landry	John A. Wilcox
James H. Duncan	Daniel Mace	Isaac Wildrick
Henry A. Edmundson	Frederick S. Martin	Christopher H. Williams
Presley Ewing	James Meacham	Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Thomas H. Averett	Mr. John G. Floyd	Mr. Benjamin D. Nabers
Nelson Barrere	Joshua R. Giddings	Eben Newton
Thomas S. Bocock	Augustus P. Hascall	Ebenezer J. Penniman
John H. Boyd	William Hebard	Jared Perkins
Samuel Breuton	John W. Howe	Reuben Robie
Joseph Cable	William F. Hunter	William R. Smith
Gilbert Dean	John Johnson	Edward Stanly
Alfred Dockery	John Letcher	Charles E. Stuart
James Duane Doty	James Lockhart	Charles Sweetser
Cyrus L. Dunham	James T. Morehead	Henry S. Walbridge
Orlando B. Ficklin	Charles Murphy	Israel Washburn, jr.

So the said resolution was agreed to.

Mr. Benjamin Stanton, the rules having been suspended for that purpose, submitted the following resolution; which was read, considered, and agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That the President of the United States be requested to inform the House of Representatives whether claims are pending before the Treasury Department in favor of sundry persons who now are, or heretofore have been, custom-house officers, whose accounts have been settled and paid in pursuance of the laws supposed by the department to be in force at the time of such settlement; for additional pay under some construction of the laws regulating their compensation not heretofore recognised by the department; and if any such claim is pending, that the President inform this House—

1. What grade or character of officers is claiming such additional compensation.

2. Under what law or laws their accounts were settled and paid.

3. Under what law or laws additional compensation is now claimed.

4. What number of persons would be entitled to increased compensation on the construction of the laws urged by the claimants, and for what time, and what would be the aggregate amount of all the claims for increased compensation under their construction of the laws.

5. When, and by whom, were these claims first presented to the Treasury Department, and what action has been had upon the subject by the Secretary or any of the accounting officers of the Treasury.

6. What opinions have been given by the President, or the heads of any of the executive departments, in relation to the validity of said claims.

7. Whether, in the opinion of the President, any action of Congress is necessary or advisable, either to protect the treasury from unjust claims, or to secure to the claimants their just rights.

Mr. Mace moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to make sundry reports from the Committee of Claims; which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Robert W. Johnson moved that the vote by which the joint resolution of the House (No. 30) "authorizing the employment of two clerks and one messenger in the office of the Superintendent of the Public Printing" was rejected, be reconsidered.

The said motion was passed over for the present.

Mr. Meacham, the rules having been suspended for that purpose, submitted the following resolution; which was read, and, under the law on that subject, referred to the members of the Committee on Printing on the part of the House, viz:

Resolved, That one hundred thousand copies of the report of the Superintendent of the Census (which accompanied the last message of the President) be printed separately for the use of members of the House.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a bill of the following title:

S. 493. An act for the relief of Brown, Russell, and Company; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The President of the United States has notified the Senate that he did, on the 16th instant, approve and sign a bill of the following title, viz:

S. 545. An act authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue a register to the barque Queen of Dundee, to be called Kate Wheeler;

And that he did, on the 23d instant, approve and sign bills and a resolution of the following titles, viz:

S. 54. A resolution explanatory of an act supplementary to an act approved May 23, 1850;

S. 448. An act authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue registers to vessels in certain cases;

S. 553. An act to amend the act approved August 31, 1852, in reference to the appropriation for continuing the survey of the Mexican boundary.

Mr. Alexander H. Stephens moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move that the resolution of the Senate (No. 5) "authorizing the President of the United States to confer the title of lieutenant general by brevet for eminent services," be taken from the Speaker's table;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Letcher,

Ordered, That there be a call of the House.

The Clerk then proceeded to call the roll, and it appeared that the following named members were absent:

Charles Allen, David J. Bailey, Thomas H. Bayly, Nelson Barrere, Thomas Bartlett, jr., Henry Bennett, Thomas M. Bibighaus, William H. Bissell, James Brooks, George H. Brown, E. Carrington Cabell, Thompson Campbell, David K. Cartter, John S. Caskie, William F. Colcock, Joseph S. Cottman, William Cullom, John R. J. Daniel, George T. Davis, John L. Dawson, Milo M. Dimmick, David T. Disney, Charles Durkee, Alfred P. Edgerton, Alexander Evans, Charles J. Faulkner, Graham N. Fitch, John D. Freeman, Henry M. Fuller, Meredith P. Gentry, Robert Goodenow, John Z. Goodrich, Willard P. Hall, William T. Hamilton, Edward Hammond, John H. H. Haws, Alexander R. Holladay, Thomas Y. How, jr., Timothy Jenkins, Preston King, Joseph H. Kuhns, James Lockhart, Daniel Mace, Horace Mann, John C. Mason, Joseph W. McCorkle, Moses McDonald, James X. McLanahan, John McNair, John McQueen, Richard K. Meade, John G. Miller, Ahiman L. Miner, Henry D. Moore, David Outlaw, Andrew Parker, John S. Phelps, William H. Polk, Rodman M. Price, Isaac Reed, John Robbins, jr., Thomas Ross, Joseph Russell, Abr'm M. Schermerhorn, John L. Schoolcraft, Marius Schoonmaker, Richardson Scurry, Charles Skelton, William W. Snow, Thaddeus Stevens, Nathan T. Stratton, James F. Strother, Josiah Sutherland, Robert Toombs, Amos Tuck, Daniel Wallace, Thomas Y. Walsh, William T. Ward, John Wells, Alexander White, Joseph A. Woodward, Richard Yates.

When,

On motion of Mr. Stuart,

Ordered, That all further proceedings in the call be dispensed with.

The question then recurred on the motion of Mr. Alexander H. Stephens;

And being put,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas.....	74
{ Nays.....	70

Two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie	Mr. Ben. Edwards Grey	Mr. Charles H. Peaslee
William Aiken	Alexander Harper	Ebenezer J. Penniman
John Allison	Augustus P. Hascall	Gilchrist Porter
William Appleton	Solomon G. Haven	William Preston
Hiram Bell	William Hebard	William A. Sackett
Richard I. Bowie	Bernhart Henn	Zeno Scudder
Obadiah Bowne	Harry Hibbard	David L. Seymour
John H. Boyd	Jerediah Horsford	William R. Smith
John C. Breckenridge	John W. Howe	Edward Stanly
Samuel Brenton	Thomas M. Howe	Benjamin Stanton
George Briggs	William F. Hunter	Frederick P. Stanton
Lorenzo Burrows	Colin M. Ingersoll	Richard H. Stanton
Joseph P. Caldwell	Joseph W. Jackson	Alexander H. Stephens
Lewis D. Campbell	James Johnson	James W. Stone
Joseph R. Chandler	George G. King	Louis St. Martin
Charles Chapman	J. Aristide Landry	John L. Taylor
Thomas L. Clingman	Edward C. Marshall	Benjamin B. Thurston
James L. Conger	Frederick S. Martin	Abraham W. Venable
John F. Darby	Fayette McMullen	Henry S. Walbridge
Alfred Dockery	James Meacham	Israel Washburn, jr.
James H. Duncan	Richard S. Molony	Albert G. Watkins
Henry A. Edmundson	John Moore	John Welch
Presley Ewing	James T. Morehead	Addison White
James Gamble	Eben Newton	John A. Wilcox
Willis A. Gorman	Samuel W. Parker	Christopher H. Williams.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Willis Allen	Mr. Thomas B. Florence	Mr. John S. Millson
John Appleton	John G. Floyd	John A. Morrison
Thomas H. Averett	Thomas J. D. Fuller	Charles Murphy
Leander Babcock	James M. Gaylord	William Murray
James M. H. Beale	Joshua R. Giddings	Benjamin D. Nabers
Thomas S. Bocoek	Alfred Gilmore	Edson B. Olds
John Bragg	Frederick W. Green	James L. Orr
Alexander H. Buell	Galusha A. Grow	Alexander G. Penn
Armistead Burt	Isham G. Harris	Jared Perkins
George H. Busby	Sampson W. Harris	Paulus Fowell
Joseph Cable	Emanuel B. Hart	William A. Richardson
Elijah W. Chastain	Thomas A. Hendricks	George Read Riddle
William M. Churchwell	Junius Hillyer	Reuben Robie
Lincoln Clark	George S. Houston	John L. Robinson
Sherrard Clemens	Volney E. Howard	John H. Savage
Chauncey F. Cleveland	Andrew Johnson	Origen S. Seymour
Williamson R. W. Cobb	John Johnson	Ephraim K. Smart
Carlton B. Curtis	Robert W. Johnson	Abr'm P. Stephens
John G. Davis	Daniel T. Jones	Charles E. Stuart
Gilbert Dean	George W. Jones	Charles Sweetser
James Duane Doty	J. Glancy Jones	Norton S. Townshend
Ben. C. Eastman	William H. Kurtz	Daniel Wallace
Oriando B. Ficklin	John Letcher	Isaac Wildrick.

So the House refused to suspend the rules.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed resolutions and a bill of the following titles, viz:

S. 31. A resolution for the relief of Jonathan Lewis;

S. 66. A resolution in relation to the census returns from the State of California;

S. 535. An act for the relief of Thomas B. Parsons;
in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Robert W. Johnson called up the motion, heretofore submitted by him, to reconsider the vote by which the joint resolution of the House (No. 30) authorizing the employment of two clerks and one messenger in the office of the Superintendent of the Public Printing, was rejected.

After debate,

Mr. Stuart moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Shall the said vote be reconsidered?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

The question again recurring on the passage of the said joint resolution,

Mr. Houston, by unanimous consent, submitted the following amendment, viz:

Add thereto the following:

"And be it further Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives be, and they are hereby, required to dismiss from their employment each one clerk, of the compensation of those hereby authorized to be appointed, and also each one messenger;"

Pending which,

Mr. Robert W. Johnson moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Will the House agree to the said amendment?

And it was decided in the negative.

Under the further operation of the previous question, the question was put, Shall the said joint resolution pass?

And it was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas. 95
Nays. 42

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
William Aiken
Willis Allen
John Appleton
William Appleton
Thomas H. Bayly
Nelson Barrere
Richard I. Bowie
Obadiah Bowne
John H. Boyd
John Bragg
John C. Breckenridge
George Briggs
Lorenzo Burrows
Armistead Burt
George H. Busby
Joseph P. Caldwell
Lewis D. Campbell
Joseph R. Chandler
Charles Chapman
Elijah W. Chastain
Chauncey F. Cleveland
Thomas L. Clingman
John F. Darby

Mr. John G. Davis
Alfred Dockery
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Ben. C. Eastman
Henry A. Edmundson
Thomas B. Florence
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James Gamble
James M. Gaylord
Joshua R. Giddings
Alfred Gilmore
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Galusha A. Grow
Alexander Harper
Sampson W. Harris
Emanuel B. Hart
Augustus P. Hascall
Solomon G. Haven
William Hebard
Bernhart Henn
Jerediah Horsford
Thomas M. Howe

Mr. William F. Hunter
Willard Ives
Joseph W. Jackson
James Johnson
John Johnson
Robert W. Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George G. King
J. Aristide Landry
Edward C. Marshall
Frederick S. Martin
Fayette McMullen
James Meacham
Richard S. Molony
John Moore
John A. Morrison
William Murray
James L. Orr
Samuel W. Parker
Charles H. Peaslee
Alexander G. Penn
Jared Perkins
Gilchrist Porter
George Read Riddle

Mr. Reuben Robie
William A. Sackett
John H. Savage
Zeno Scudder
David L. Seymour
Origen S. Seymour
Ephraim K. Smart
Edward Stanly

Mr. Benjamin Stanton
Frederick P. Stanton
Richard H. Stanton
Abr'm P. Stephens
Alexander H. Stephens
James W. Stone
Louis St. Martin
Charles E. Stuart

Mr. John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston
Abraham W. Venable
Israel Washburn, jr.
John Welch
Addison White
John A. Wilcox
Isaac Wildrick.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. John Allison
Thomas H. Averett
Leander Babcock
James M. H. Beale
Thomas S. Bocock
Samuel Brenton
Albert G. Brown
Joseph Cable
Lincoln Clark
Sherrard Clemens
Williamson R. W. Cobb
Gilbert Dean
Cyrus L. Dunham
Orlando B. Ficklin

Mr. John G. Floyd
Ben. Edwards Grey
Isaham G. Harris
Thomas A. Hendricks
Harry Hibbard
George S. Houston
Volney E. Howard
John W. Howe
Colin M. Ingersoll
Andrew Johnson
George W. Jones
J. Glancy Jones
William H. Kurtz
John Letcher

Mr. John S. Millson
James T. Morehead
Charles Murphy
Benjamin D. Nabers
Ebenezer J. Pennington
Paulus Powell
John L. Robinson
William R. Smith
Charles Sweetser
Norton S. Townshend
Henry S. Walbridge
Daniel Wallace
Albert G. Watkins
Christopher H. Williams.

So the joint resolution was passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Mr. Robert W. Johnson moved that the vote by which the said joint resolution was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Marshall, by unanimous consent, the resolution of the Senate (No. 66) "in relation to the census returns from the State of California," was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the said resolution be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Wildrick, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined a resolution of the Senate of the following title, viz:

S. 65. Joint resolution explanatory of the act appropriating money for the removal of the raft of Red river; and found the same truly enrolled; when the Speaker signed the said resolution.

Mr. Lane, by unanimous consent, and in pursuance of previous notice, introduced bills of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 338. A bill granting bounty-land to the officers and soldiers of the Cayuse war;

H. R. 339. A bill to provide for the location of military bounty-land warrants by actual residents of Oregon Territory; which were severally read a first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Mr. Isham G. Harris, the rules having been suspended for that purpose, submitted the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That it shall be the standing and special order of this House, after to-day, to call the committees for such reports as shall not give rise

to debate, until all the committees shall be called; and if any report shall be made to which objection is offered, such report shall not be received, but shall remain until the committees are regularly called under the rule of this House.

Pending the question on agreeing thereto,

Mr. George W. Jones moved to amend the same, by adding thereto the following, viz:

"*Provided*, That no bill reported under this resolution shall be put upon its passage, unless by the unanimous consent of the House;"

Pending which,

Mr. Isham G. Harris moved the previous question;

Pending which,

Mr. Williams moved, at 2 o'clock and 25 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurring on the demand of the previous question, it was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put; and under the operation thereof, the said amendment was agreed to.

The question then recurred on agreeing to the said resolution as amended;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Stuart,

At 2 o'clock and 33 minutes p. m., the House adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock m.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1852.

Mr. Lorenzo Sabine, a member from the State of Massachusetts, elected to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Benjamin Thompson, appeared, and was sworn to support the constitution of the United States, and took a seat in the House.

The following petitions and memorial were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Duncan: The petition of citizens of the State of Massachusetts, praying for an amendment of the pension laws, so that all persons who served in the war of the revolution, or their widows or orphan children, may be entitled by law to pensions; which was referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions.

By Mr. Dunham: The petition of Doctor A. Hays, a hospital surgeon in the war of 1812, in the army of the United States, praying for a pension; which was referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. Albert G. Brown: The petition of Thomas W. Grayson and other citizens of the State of Mississippi, praying for the removal of the land office from Augusta to Paulding, in said State.

By Mr. Cable: The petition of citizens; also, the concurrent resolution of the legislature of the State of Ohio, praying for the passage of the homestead bill; which were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Bernhisel: The memorial of the Governor and Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Utah, praying for the immediate survey and location of the boundary-line of said Territory; which was referred to the Committee on Territories.

Mr. Hart, by unanimous consent, submitted the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the Committee of the Whole upon the state of the Union be discharged from the further consideration of H. R. 138, upon the calendar, being "A bill to remit the duties upon certain goods destroyed by fire in the city of New York," and that the same be referred back to the Committee on Commerce.

Pending the question on agreeing thereto,

On motion of Mr. George W. Jones,

Ordered, That there be a call of the House.

The roll having been called through, the following named members appeared to be absent, viz:

Charles Allen, John Appleton, William S. Ashe, David J. Bailey, Thomas H. Bayly, Nelson Barrere, Thomas Bartlett, jr., Hiram Bell, Henry Bennett, Thomas M. Bibighaus, William H. Bissell, Obadiah Bowne, John H. Boyd, James Brooks, George H. Brown, Armistead Burt, E. Carrington Cabell, Thompson Campbell, David K. Carter, John S. Caskie, William M. Churchwell, Lincoln Clark, Chauncey F. Cleveland, William F. Colcock, James L. Conger, Joseph S. Cottman, William Cullom, John R. J. Daniel, George T. Davis, John L. Dawson, Milo M. Dimmick, Cyrus L. Dunham, Charles Durkee, Alfred P. Edgerton, Henry A. Edmundson, Alexander Evans, Presley Ewing, Charles J. Faulkner, Orlando B. Ficklin, Graham N. Fitch, Henry M. Fuller, James Gamble, Meredith P. Gentry, Robert Goodenow, John Z. Goodrich, Ben. Edwards Grey, Willard P. Hall, William T. Hamilton, Edward Hammond John H. H. Haws, William Hebard, Alexander R. Holladay, Jerediah Horsford, Thomas Y. How, jr., John Johnson, J. Glancy Jones, Preston King, Joseph H. Kuhns, J. Aristide Landry, James Lockhart, Daniel Mace, Horace Mann, Edward C. Marshall, John C. Mason, Joseph W. McCorkle, Moses McDonald, James X. McLanahan, Fayette McMullen, John McNair, John McQuen, James Meacham, Richard K. Meade, Ahiman L. Miner, Henry D. Moore, James T. Morehead, Edson B. Olds, David Outlaw, Andrew Parker, Charles H. Peaslee, John S. Phelps, William H. Polk, William Preston, Rodman M. Price, Isaac Reed, John Robbins, jr., Joseph Russell, Abr'm M. Schermerhorn, John L. Schoolcraft, Marius Schoonmaker, Zeno Scudder, Richardson Scurry, Charles Skelton, William W. Snow, Thaddeus Stevens, Louis St. Martin, Nathan T. Stratton, James F. Strother, Robert Toombs, Amos Tuck, Henry S. Walbridge, Thomas Y. Walsh, William T. Ward, Israel Washburn, jr., John Wells, Alexander White, Richard Yates.

And then,

On motion of Mr. Henn, all further proceedings in the call were dispensed with.

The question again recurred on agreeing to the said resolution.

After debate,

Mr. Cobb moved the previous question;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Hunter.

Ordered, That the said resolution be laid on the table.

The Speaker announced, as the business first in order, the resolution

submitted by Mr. Isham G. Harris, and subsequently amended, and which was pending when the House adjourned on yesterday, and upon which the main question had been ordered to be put.

The said resolution, as amended, was read, and is as follows, viz:

Resolved, That it shall be the standing and special order of this House, after to-day, to call the committees for such reports as shall not give rise to debate, until all the committees shall be called; and if any report shall be made to which objection is offered, such report shall not be received, but shall remain until the committees are regularly called under the rule of this House: *Provided*, That no bill reported under this resolution shall be put upon its passage, unless by the unanimous consent of the House.

Pending the question on agreeing thereto,

Mr. McMullen moved that it be laid on the table;

Pending which,

No quorum having voted on the said motion,

Mr. Ingersoll moved, at 1 o'clock p. m., that the House adjourn.

And the question being put on the latter motion,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 19
Nays..... 110

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
Nelson Barrere
George H. Busby
Joseph P. Caldwell
James L. Conger
David T. Disney
Alfred Gilmore

Mr. Colin M. Ingersoll
James Johnson
Fayette McMullen
James L. Orr
William A. Richardson
George Read Riddle

Mr. Thomas Ross
John H. Savage
Richard H. Stanton
Alexander H. Stephens
Daniel Wallace
Addison White.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Willis Allen
John Allison
John Appleton
Thomas H. Averett
Leander Babcock
James M. H. Beale
Thomas S. Bocock
Richard I. Bowie
John Bragg
Samuel Brenton
George Briggs
Albert G. Brown
Alexander H. Buell
Lorenzo Burrows
Armistead Burt
Joseph Cable
Lewis D. Campbell
Charles Chapman
Elijah W. Chastain
Lincoln Clark
Sherrrad Clemens
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
Carlton B. Curtis
John F. Darby
John G. Davis
Gilbert Dean
Alfred Dockery

Mr. James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Henry A. Edmundson
Thomas B. Florence
John G. Floyd
John D. Freeman
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James M. Gaylord
Joshua R. Giddings
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Ben. Edwards Grey
Galusha A. Grow
Willard P. Hall
Alexander Harper
Isham G. Harris
Sampson W. Harris
Emanuel B. Hart
Augustus P. Hascall
Solomon G. Haven
Thomas A. Hendricks
Bernhart Henn
Harry Hibbard
Junius Hillyer
George S. Houston
Volney E. Howard
John W. Howe
Thomas M. Howe

Mr. William F. Hunter
Willard Ives
Joseph W. Jackson
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
John Johnson
Robert W. Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George W. Jones
George G. King
Preston King
William H. Kurtz
John Letcher
James Lockhart
Frederick S. Martin
James Meacham
John G. Miller
John S. Millson
Richard S. Molony
John Moore
James T. Morehead
John A. Morrison
Charles Murphy
William Murray
Benjamin D. Nabers
Eben Newton
Samuel W. Parker
Ebenezer J. Penniman

Mr. Jared Perkins
Gilchrist Porter
Paulus Powell
Reuben Robie
John L. Robinson
William A. Sackett
David L. Seymour
Origen S. Seymour
William R. Smith

Mr. Edward Stanly
Benjamin Stanton
Frederick P. Stanton
Abr'm P. Stephens
Louis St. Martin
Charles E. Stuart
Josiah Sutherland
Charles Sweetser
John L. Taylor

Mr. Benjamin B. Thurston
Norton S. Townshend
Abraham W. Venable
Albert G. Watkins
John Welch
John A. Wilcox
Isaac Wildrick
Christopher H. Williams.

So the said motion was disagreed to.

The question again recurred on the motion of Mr. McMullen;

And being put,

No quorum again voted.

The Speaker having announced that no quorum had voted on the said motion,

Mr. Alexander H. Stephens demanded the yeas and nays.

The Speaker decided, in conformity with his decision at the last session, and which was sustained by the House, that less than a quorum could not act upon a demand for the yeas and nays, any more than upon any other business; and consequently that the demand for the yeas and nays was not now in order. He thought that, taking the clause of the constitution authorizing "one-fifth of the members present to cause the yeas and nays to be entered on the journal," in connexion with that requiring "a majority of the members to constitute a quorum to do business," it was clearly intended that the "members present," one-fifth of whom may order the yeas and nays, should amount to a quorum. It would be different if the pending motion was to adjourn or for a call of the House, as less than a quorum is competent to act upon either of those motions.

From this decision of the Chair Mr. Alexander H. Stephens appealed;

Pending which,

Mr. Clemens moved that the appeal be laid on the table;

Pending which,

Mr. Florence moved, at 1 o'clock and 30 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn.

And the question being put,

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 72
Nays..... 66

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
William Aiken
Willis Allen
Thomas H. Averett
James M. H. Beale
John H. Boyd
John C. Breckenridge
George Briggs
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
Joseph P. Caldwell
Joseph E. Chandler
Elijah W. Chastain
James L. Conger

Mr. David T. Disney
Alfred Dockery
Ben. C. Eastman
Henry A. Edmundson
Thomas B. Florence
John G. Floyd
Thomas J. D. Fuller
Alfred Gilmore
Frederick W. Green
Ben. Edwards Grey
Sampson W. Harris
Augustus P. Hascall
Junius Hillyer
Colin M. Ingersoll

Timothy Jenkins
James Johnson
John Johnson
Robert W. Johnson
George W. Jones
Preston King
William H. Kurtz
J. Aristide Landry
John Letcher
James Lockhart
Frederick S. Martin
Fayette McMullen
John Moore
James T. Morehead

Mr. John A. Morrison
Charles Murphy
Edson B. Olds
James L. Orr
Samuel W. Parker
William Preston
William A. Richardson
George Read Riddle
John L. Robinson

Mr. Thomas Ross
John H. Savage
Origen S. Seymour
Ephraim K. Smart
Frederick P. Stanton
Richard H. Stanton
Abr'm P. Stephens
Alexander H. Stephens

Mr. Louis St. Martin
Josiah Sutherland
Charles Sweetser
Norton S. Townshend
Abraham W. Venable
Daniel Wallace
John A. Wilcox
Christopher H. Williams.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. John Allison
John Appleton
William Appleton
Thomas S. Bocock
Richard I. Bowie
John Bragg
Samuel Brenton
Albert G. Brown
Alexander H. Buell
Lorenzo Burrows
Armistead Burt
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Charles Chapman
Lincoln Clark
Sherrard Clemens
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
Carlton B. Curtis
John F. Darby
John G. Davis
Gilbert Dean
James Duane Doty

Mr. James H. Duncan
James M. Gaylord
Joshua R. Giddings
Willis A. Gorman
Galusha A. Grow
Willard P. Hall
Alexander Harper
Isaham G. Harris
Solomon G. Haven
William Hebard
Thomas A. Hendricks
Bernhart Henn
Harry Hibbard
Jerediah Horsford
George S. Houston
Volney E. Howard
John W. Howe
Thomas M. Howe
Willard Ives
Joseph W. Jackson
Andrew Johnson
Daniel T. Jones

Mr. James Meacham
John G. Miller
John S. Millson
Richard S. Molony
William Murray
Benjamin D. Nabers
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Jared Perkins
Gilchrist Porter
Paulus Powell
Reuben Robie
Lorenzo Sabine
David L. Seymour
William R. Smith
Edward Stanley
Benjamin Stanton
Charles E. Stuart
John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston
Albert G. Watkins
John Welch
Isaac Wildrick.

So the motion was agreed to.

And the House accordingly adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1852.

The Speaker having announced that no quorum was present,

On motion of Mr. Richardson,

Ordered, That there be a call of the House.

The roll having been called through, the following named members failed to answer to their names, viz:

James Abercrombie, Charles Allen, Willis Allen, William S. Ashe, David J. Bailey, Henry Bennett, Thomas M. Bibighaus, William H. Bissell, Richard I. Bowie, Obadiah Bowne, John H. Boyd, James Brooks, Albert G. Brown, George H. Brown, Armistead Burt, E. Carrington Cabell, Thompson Campbell, David K. Cartter, John S. Caskie, William M. Churchwell, Chauncey F. Cleveland, William F. Colcock, James L. Conger, Joseph S. Cottman, William Cullom, John R. J. Daniel, John L. Dawson, Milo M. Dimmick, Cyrus L. Dunham, Charles Durkee, Alfred P. Edgerton, Henry A. Edmundson, Alexander Evans, Charles J. Faulkner, Graham N. Fitch, Thomas B. Florence, Henry M. Fuller, James Gamble, Merediah P. Gentry, John Z. Goodrich, Willis A. Gorman, Willard P. Hall, William T. Hamilton, Edward Hammond, Emanuel B. Hart, John H. H. Haws, Augustus P. Hascall, Alexander R. Holladay, Jerediah Horsford, Thomas Y. How, jr., Timothy Jenkins, Robert W. Johnson, J. Glancy Jones,

Preston King, Joseph H. Kuhns, Daniel Mace, Horace Mann, Edward C. Marshall, John C. Mason, Joseph W. McCorkle, Moses McDonald, James X. McLanahan, John McNair, John McQueen, James Meacham, Richard K. Meade, Ahiman L. Miner, Henry D. Moore, James T. Morehead, Edson B. Olds, David Outlaw, Andrew Parker, John S. Phelps, William H. Polk, Gilchrist Porter, Rodman M. Price, Isaac Reed, John Robbins, jr., Joseph Russell, Abr'm M. Schermerhorn, John L. Schoolcraft, Marius Schoonmaker, Richardson Scurry, Charles Skelton, William W. Snow, Thaddeus Stevens, Nathan T. Stratton, James F. Strother, Charles E. Stuart, Josiah Sutherland, Robert Toombs, Amos Tuck, Thomas Y. Walsh, John Wells, Alexander White.

And then,

On motion of Mr. Alexander H. Stephens, all further proceedings in the call were dispensed with.

A quorum being present,

The journal of Tuesday was read.

Another member appeared and took his seat, viz:

From the State of Vermont—Thomas Bartlett, jr.

Francis B. Fay, a member elect from the State of Massachusetts, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Robert Rantoul, jr., also appeared, was sworn to support the constitution of the United States, and took a seat in the House.

The following petitions and memorial were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Grey: The petition of Harrison C. Allensworth, praying for indemnity against Mexico; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Bowie: A resolution of the legislature of the State of Maryland, requesting the passage of a law making free so much of the Baltimore and Washington turnpike road as lies within the District of Columbia; which was referred to the Committee for the District of Columbia.

By Mr. Buell: The petition of Daniel D. Ellis and others, praying for indemnity for losses sustained in loaning the United States government money in 1778.

By Mr. Eastman: The petition of James B. Estes, praying for compensation for property taken for the use of the troops in the State of Wisconsin, during the Black Hawk war in 1832.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee of Claims.

By Mr. Millson: The petition of W. Wallace Davis, agent and attorney of F. G. Rosario, a Portuguese subject, praying for indemnity on account of illegal imprisonment under authority of the United States; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. Bowie: A resolution of the legislature of the State of Maryland, praying that such arrangements, if practicable, be entered into with the countries producing guano as will break up the monopoly in that article.

By Mr. Penniman: The petition of John Owen, of Detroit, in the State of Michigan, praying that the name of the steamer "Forest City" be changed to that of "Bay City."

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. Stanly, by unanimous consent, submitted a resolution; which he subsequently modified to read as follows, viz:

Resolved, That the reporters of the House of Representatives be directed hereafter not to report in the Daily and Congressional Globe, as part of the proceedings of the House, speeches not made in the House, unless by leave of the House: *Provided*, That nothing in this resolution shall prevent any member from correcting or revising the reporters' notes.

After debate,

Mr. Dean moved the previous question;

Pending which,

Mr. Sweetser moved that the resolution be laid on the table;

And the question being put,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 44
Nays..... 92

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. John Allison
John Appleton
Thomas H. Bayly
John Bragg
John C. Breckenridge
Albert G. Brown
Alexander H. Buell
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
Elijah W. Chastain
David T. Disney
Cyrus L. Dunham
Orlando B. Ficklin
John G. Floyd
James M. Gaylord

Mr. Joshua R. Giddings
Alfred Gilmore
Galusha A. Grow
Harry Hibbard
Volney E. Howard
Willard Ives
John Johnson
Robert W. Johnson
Preston King
John Letcher
Fayette McMullen
Richard S. Molony
John A. Morrison
William Murray
Eben Newton

Mr. Charles H. Peaslee
Alexander G. Penn
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Paulus Powell
William A. Richardson
Ephraim K. Smart
Abr'm P. Stephens
Alexander H. Stephens
Charles Sweetser
Benjamin B. Thurston
Norton S. Townshend
Abraham W. Venable
Addison White
Isaac Wildrick.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
William Aiken
William Appleton
Thomas H. Averett
Nelson Barrere
James M. H. Beale
Hiram Bell
Thomas S. Bocock
Richard I. Bowie
Samuel Brenton
George Briggs
Lorenzo Burrows
Joseph P. Caldwell
Lewis D. Campbell
Joseph R. Chandler
Charles Chapman
William M. Churchill
Lincoln Clark
Sherrard Clemens
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
Carlton B. Curtis
John F. Darby

Mr. George T. Davis
John G. Davis
Gilbert Dean
Alfred Dockery
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Ben. C. Eastman
Henry A. Edmundson
Presley Ewing
Francis B. Fay
John D. Freeman
Thomas J. D. Fuller
Robert Goodenow
Ben. Edwards Grey
Willard P. Hall
Alexander Harper
Isham G. Harris
Sampson W. Harris
Augustus P. Hascall
Solomon G. Haven
William Hebard
Thomas A. Hendricks
Junius Hillyer

Mr. John W. Howe
Thomas M. Howe
William F. Hunter
Colin M. Ingersoll
Joseph W. Jackson
Andrew Johnson
James Johnson
George W. Jones
William H. Kurtz
James Lockhart
Frederick S. Martin
James Meacham
John G. Miller
John S. Millson
John Moore
James T. Morehead
Charles Murphy
Benjamin D. Nabers
James L. Orr
Samuel W. Parker
Jared Perkins
Gilchrist Porter
William Preston

Mr. George Read Riddle
 Reuben Robie
 Thomas Ross
 Lorenzo Sabine
 John H. Savage
 Zeno Scudder
 David L. Seymour
 Origen S. Seymour

Mr. Edward Stanly
 Benjamin Stanton
 Frederick P. Stanton
 Richard H. Stanton
 Charles E. Stuart
 John L. Taylor
 Henry S. Walbridge
 Daniel Wallace

Mr. Thomas Y. Walsh
 William T. Ward
 Albert G. Watkins
 John Welch
 John A. Wilcox
 Christopher H. Williams
 Joseph A. Woodward.

So the House refused to lay the resolution on the table.

The question then recurring on the demand for the previous question, it was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Will the House agree to the said resolution?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

So the said resolution was agreed to.

Mr. Stanly moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

The regular order of business having been called for,

The Speaker announced, as the business first in order, the resolution of Mr. Isham G. Harris, which was pending, under the order of the main question, when the House adjourned on yesterday.

The Speaker stated the pending question to be on the appeal of Mr. Alexander H. Stephens from the decision of the Chair against the right of less than a quorum to vote on a demand for the yeas and nays upon the motion of Mr. McMullen to lay the said resolution on the table.

When Mr. Alexander H. Stephens withdrew his said appeal.

The question again recurred on the motion of Mr. McMullen;

And being put,

No quorum voted.

Mr. Orr demanded the yeas and nays;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. McMullen,

At 2 o'clock and 20 minutes p. m., the House adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1852.

Edward P. Little, a member elect from the State of Massachusetts to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of the honorable Orin Fowler, appeared, was affirmed to support the constitution of the United States, and took a seat in the House.

The following petitions, memorials, and other papers were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Freeman: The concurrent resolution of the legislature of the State of Mississippi, relative to the establishment of a mail-route from Aberdeen to Yazoo city, in said State; which was referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Mace: The petition of Catharine N. Van Rensselaer, heir and only daughter of Nicholas N. Bogart—heretofore presented January 14, 1850—with additional evidence; which was referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Claims.

By Mr. Freeman: The petition of John D. Freeman, praying for a grant of land to aid in the construction of certain railroads;

Also, the joint resolutions of the legislature of the State of Mississippi, relative to the swamp-lands in said State.

By Mr. Wallace: The petition of the heirs and legal representatives of Doctor Jesse Beaty, praying to be confirmed in their title to certain lands.

Ordered, That said petitions and resolutions be referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Hebard: The petition of citizens of the State of Vermont, praying for the settlement of national difficulties without war; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Ficklin: The memorial of a committee on behalf of the corporation of Georgetown, in the District of Columbia, relative to the construction of a wire suspension bridge across the Potomac river; accompanied by a report from C. Ellet, jun., civil engineer, on the same subject; which were referred to the Committee for the District of Columbia.

By Mr. Millson: The petition of officers of the United States army, praying for the repeal or modification of the act of March 3, 1847, relative to sutlers.

By Mr. David L. Seymour: The petition of John E. Wool, relative to the settlement of his accounts.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Ives: The petition of citizens of Georgetown, in the District of Columbia, praying for the erection of a custom-house in said city.

By Mr. Thomas J. D. Fuller: The petition of citizens of the State of New York, praying for the erection of a breakwater at Cape Vincent Harbor.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Commerce.

The Speaker, by unanimous consent, laid before the House a communication from the committee of arrangements, inviting the House of Representatives and its officers to attend the ceremonies of the inauguration of the Equestrian Statue of General Andrew Jackson on the 8th of January next.

Mr. Dean moved a call of the House;

And the question being put,

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 79
Nays..... 55

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. William Aiken
Willis Allen
John Allison
William Appleton
Thomas H. Averett
Samuel Brenton
George Briggs
Alexander H. Buell
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable

Mr. Joseph P. Caldwell
Joseph R. Chandler
Charles Chapman
Lincoln Clark
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
John G. Davis
Gilbert Dean
James Duane Doty
Ben. C. Eastman

Mr. Orlando B. Ficklin
John D. Freeman
James M. Gaylord
Joshua E. Giddings
Alfred Gilmore
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Ben. Edwards Grey
Galusha A. Grow
Alexander Harper

Mr. Solomon G. Haven	Mr. John Letcher	Mr. Zeno Scudder
Thomas A. Hendricks	Frederick S. Martin	Ephraim K. Smart
Bernhart Henn	James Meacham	Edward Stanly
Harry Hibbard	John G. Miller	Benjamin Stanton
Junius Hillyer	John S. Millson	Nathan T. Stratton
Jerediah Horsford	Richard S. Molony	Charles Sweetser
George S. Houston	John A. Morrison	Benjamin B. Thurston
John W. Howe	Charles Murphy	Norton S. Townshend
Thomas M. Howe	William Murray	Abraham W. Venable
William F. Hunter	Eben Newton	Henry S. Walbridge
Colin M. Ingersoll	James L. Orr	Daniel Wallace
Joseph W. Jackson	Samuel W. Parker	Thomas Y. Walsh
James Johnson	Alexander G. Penn	Albert G. Watkins
John Johnson	Jared Perkins	John Welch
Daniel T. Jones	Glchrist Porter	John A. Wilcox
George W. Jones	Reuben Robie	Christopher H. Williams.
William H. Kurtz		

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. John Appleton	Mr. Thomas J. D. Fuller	Mr. George Read Riddle
Leander Babcock	Robert Goodenow	John L. Robinson
Nelson Barrere	Willard P. Hall	Thomas Ross
Hiram Bell	Isham G. Harris	Lorenzo Sabine
Thomas S. Bocoek	Sampson W. Harris	William A. Sackett
Richard L. Bowie	Augustus P. Hascall	David L. Seymour
John Bragg	Volney E. Howard	Origen S. Seymour
Lorenzo Burrows	Willard Ives	Frederick P. Stanton
Lewis D. Campbell	Timothy Jenkins	Richard H. Stanton
William M. Churchwell	George G. King	Abr'm P. Stephens
Chauncey F. Cleveland	Edward P. Little	James W. Stone
Thomas L. Clingman	James Lockhart	Charles E. Stuart
Williamson R. W. Cobb	Fayette McMullen	Josiah Sutherland
James L. Conger	John Moore	John L. Taylor
Carlton B. Curtis	Benjamin D. Nabers	William T. Ward
Alfred Dockery	Ebenezer J. Penniman	Addison White
James H. Duncan	Paulus Powell	Isaac Wildrick
Francis B. Fay	William A. Richardson,	Joseph A. Woodward.
John G. Floyd		

So the motion was agreed to.

Before proceeding to the call of the roll,

On motion of Mr. Isham G. Harris, the vote last taken was reconsidered.

And the question again recurring on the motion for a call,

Mr. Dean withdrew the same.

The Speaker, by unanimous consent, laid before the House the following executive communications, viz:

1. A letter from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting a statement of the receipts and expenditures on account of the navy pension fund for the year ending September 30, 1853.

Ordered, That the said letter, and accompanying statement, be laid on the table and printed.

2. A letter from the Secretary of the Navy, transmitting an additional estimate for the purchase of land adjoining the Navy Hospital at Norfolk, Virginia.

Ordered, That the said letter, and accompanying papers, be referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs and printed.

The Speaker, also, by unanimous consent, laid before the House copies of the journals of the Legislative Assemblies of the Territories of Oregon and Utah of the session of 1851-'52; also, copies of the laws

of the Territories of Minnesota and Utah; which were referred to the Committee on Territories.

Also, a communication from Peter Parker, transmitting statements of judicial fees received at the United States consular court at Shanghai; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed bills of the House of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 137. An act for the relief of Osborn Cross, of the United States army;

H. R. 187. An act for the construction of military roads in Oregon Territory;

H. R. 283. An act to extend the provisions of an act approved March 3, 1847, and the act approved February 26, 1849, for carrying into effect the existing compacts with the States of Alabama and Mississippi in relation to the five-per-cent. fund and school reservations;

H. R. 291. An act to amend an act entitled "An act for the discontinuance of the office of surveyor general in the several districts so soon as the surveys therein can be completed; for abolishing land offices under certain circumstances, and for other purposes;" the two former without amendment, and the two latter with amendments; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The Senate have also passed bills and resolutions of the following titles, viz:

S. R. 67. A resolution allowing, in certain cases, to the owners of steamers further time to make the necessary preparations to bring their vessels within the provisions of an act entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to provide for the better security of the lives of passengers on board of vessels propelled, in whole or in part, by steam,' and for other purposes," approved August 30, 1852;

S. R. 52. A resolution for the relief of the estate of Isaac L. Battle;

S. R. 53. A resolution to confer additional duties and powers on the Solicitor of the Treasury;

S. 479. An act for the relief of Edwin Lord and Francis Bacon;

S. 469. An act for the relief of Captain Langdon C. Easton, assistant quartermaster United States army;

S. 453. An act granting a pension to Avery Downer;

S. 544. An act for the relief of James Jeffreys and Jeremiah M. Smith;

S. 498. An act granting a pension to Sarah Crandal;

S. 366. An act for the relief of Hodges Lansdale, and the legal representatives of Rinaldo Johnson, deceased;

S. 120. An act to incorporate the Pioneer Manufacturing Company of Georgetown, in the District of Columbia;

S. 566. An act authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue a new register to the ship Prentice, and change her name to that of Leonie;

S. 480. An act for the relief of Lieutenant Colonel Ebenezer Dumont; in all of which bills and resolutions, I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Hillyer, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That the papers in the case of Lewis Rawlston be withdrawn from the files of the House, and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

On motion of Mr. John Moore, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That leave be granted for the withdrawal from the files of the House of the papers in the case of Thomas Hicks.

The said papers were thereupon handed to Mr. Moore.

On motion of Mr. Millson, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That leave be granted for the withdrawal from the files of the House of the papers in the case of the Messrs. Baker.

The said papers were thereupon handed to Mr. Millson.

On motion of Mr. Hunter,

Ordered, That when the House adjourns, it adjourn to Monday next.

Mr. Willdick, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined a resolution of the following title, viz:

S. 66. A resolution in relation to the census returns from the State of California; and found the same truly enrolled; when the Speaker signed the said resolution.

The regular order of business having been called for,

The Speaker announced, as first in order, the resolution heretofore submitted by Mr. Isham G. Harris; which was read, and is as follows, viz:

Resolved, That it shall be the standing and special order of the House, after to-day, to call the committees for such reports as shall not give rise to debate until all the committees shall be called; and if any report shall be made to which objection is offered, such report shall not be received, but shall remain until the committees are regularly called under the rule of this House: *Provided*, That no bill reported under this resolution shall be put upon its passage, unless by the unanimous consent of the House.

The Speaker stated the question to be on the motion submitted by Mr. McMullen, and pending when the House adjourned on yesterday, to lay the said resolution on the table;

And being put,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 67
Nays..... 72

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. Willis Allen
John Appleton
Thomas H. Bayly
Nelson Barrere
Hiram Bell
Thomas S. Bocock
Richard I. Bowie
John C. Breckenridge
George Briggs
Alexander H. Buell
Lorenzo Burrows
Armistead Burt
Joseph Cable
Joseph P. Caldwell
Lewis D. Campbell

Mr. Charles Chapman
Lincoln Clark
Chauncey F. Cleveland
Carlton B. Curtis
James Duane Doty
Francis B. Fay
John G. Floyd
John D. Freeman
Alfred Gilmore
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Ben. Edwards Grey
Gahusha A. Grow
Alexander Harper
Solomon G. Haven

Mr. William Hebard
John W. Howe
Willard Ives
James Johnson
John Johnson
John Letcher
Edward P. Little
Fayette McMullen
James Meacham
John Moore
John A. Morrison
Benjamin D. Nabers
Eben Newton
James L. Orr
Gilchrist Porter

Mr. George Read Riddle
Reuben Robie
Thomas Ross
William A. Sackett
Zeno Scudder
Origen S. Seymour
Edward Stanley
Benjamin Stanton

Mr. Richard H. Stanton
Abr'm P. Stephens
Charles E. Stuart
Charles Sweetser
Benjamin B. Thurston
Norton S. Townshend
Abraham W. Venable

Mr. Henry S. Walbridge
William T. Ward
John Welch
Addison White
Isaac Wildrick
Christopher H. Williams
Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. William Aiken
John Allison
William Appleton
Thomas H. Averett
Thomas Battlett, jr.
James M. H. Beale
John Bragg
Samuel Brenton
Albert G. Brown
George H. Busby
Joseph R. Chandler
Elijah W. Chastain
William M. Churchwell
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
John G. Davis
Gilbert Dean
Alfred Dockery
James H. Duncan
Orlando B. Ficklin
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James M. Gaylord

Mr. Joshua R. Giddings
Robert Goodenow
Willard P. Hall
Isaham G. Harris
Sampson W. Harris
Augustus P. Hascall
Thomas A. Hendricks
Bernhart Henn
Junius Hillyer
George S. Houston
Volney E. Howard
Thomas M. Howe
William F. Hunter
Colin M. Ingersoll
Joseph W. Jackson
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George W. Jones
George G. King
William H. Kurtz
James Lockhart
Edward C. Marshall
Frederick S. Martin

Mr. John C. Mason
John G. Miller
John S. Millson
Richard S. Molony
Charles Murphy
William Murray
Edson B. Olds
Samuel W. Parker
Alexander G. Penn
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Jared Perkins
Paulus Powell
Lorenzo Sabine
David L. Seymour
Ephraim K. Smart
William R. Smith
Frederick P. Stanton
Thaddeus Stevens
James W. Stone
Josiah Sutherland
Thomas Y. Walsh
Albert G. Watkins
John A. Wilcox
Richard Yates.

So the House refused to lay the said resolution on the table.

The question then recurred on agreeing to the said resolution;
And being put,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 67
Nays..... 73

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. William Aiken
John Allison
Thomas H. Averett
Thomas Bartlett, jr.
John Bragg
Samuel Brenton
Albert G. Brown
George H. Busby
Lewis D. Campbell
Joseph R. Chandler
Elijah W. Chastain
William M. Churchwell
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
John G. Davis
Gilbert Dean
David T. Disney
Alfred Dockery
James H. Duncan
Orlando B. Ficklin
John D. Freeman

Mr. Thomas J. D. Fuller
James M. Gaylord
Robert Goodenow
Willard P. Hall
Isaham G. Harris
Sampson W. Harris
Augustus P. Hascall
Thomas A. Hendricks
Bernhart Henn
Harry Hibbard
Junius Hillyer
George S. Houston
Volney E. Howard
Thomas M. Howe
William F. Hunter
Joseph W. Jackson
Andrew Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George W. Jones
George G. King
William H. Kurtz
James Lockhart

Mr. John C. Mason
John G. Miller
John S. Millson
Richard S. Molony
Charles Murphy
William Murray
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Jared Perkins
Gilchrist Porter
Paulus Powell
John L. Robinson
David L. Seymour
William R. Smith
Frederick P. Stanton
Thaddeus Stevens
Josiah Sutherland
Abraham W. Venable
Thomas Y. Walsh
Albert G. Watkins
Addison White
John A. Wilcox
Richard Yates

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie	Mr. Frederick W. Green	Mr. Samuel W. Parker
Willis Allen	Ben. Edwards Grey	Alexander G. Penn
John Appleton	Galusha A. Grow	Reuben Robie
Thomas H. Bayly	Alexander Harper	Thomas Ross
Nelson Barrere	Solomon G. Haven	Lorenzo Sabine
Hiram Bell	William Hebard	William A. Sackett
Thomas S. Bocock	Jerediah Horsford	Zeno Scudder
John C. Breckinridge	John W. Howe	Origen S. Seymour
George Briggs	Willard Ives	Ephraim K. Smart
Alexander H. Buell	Timothy Jenkins	Edward Stanly
Lorenzo Burrows	James Johnson	Benjamin Stanton
Armistead Burt	John Johnson	Richard H. Stanton
Joseph Cable	Robert W. Johnson	Abr'm P. Stephens
Joseph P. Caldwell	Preston King	Charles E. Stuart
Charles Chapman	John Letcher	Charles Sweetser
Lincoln Clark	Edward P. Little	Benjamin B. Thurston
Chauncey F. Cleveland	Frederick S. Martin	Norton S. Townshend
James L. Conger	Fayette McMullen	Henry S. Walbridge
Carlton B. Curtis	James Meacham	Daniel Wallace
James Duane Doty	John Moore	William T. Ward
Ben. C. Eastman	John A. Morrison	John Welch
Prealey Ewing	Benjamin D. Nabers	Isaac Wildrick
John G. Floyd	Edson B. Olds	Christopher H. Williams
Joshua R. Giddings	James L. Orr	Joseph A. Woodward.
Alfred Gilmore		

So the said resolution was disagreed to.

Mr. Stanly moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

And then,

On motion of Mr. Frederick P. Stanton,

At 10 o'clock and 30 minutes p. m., the House adjourned until Monday next at 12 o'clock m.

MONDAY, JANUARY 3, 1853.

Two other members appeared and took their seats, viz:

From the State of Georgia—Robert Toombs.

From the State of Texas—Richardson Scurry.

Henry H. Sibley, a delegate from the Territory of Minnesota, also appeared and took his seat.

The following petitions and other papers were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. James Johnson: The petition of citizens of the State of Georgia, praying that the postmaster at Albany, in said State, be authorized to employ a clerk in said office.

By Mr. Henn: The petition of a citizen of the State of Iowa, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Newton, in Jasper county, via Timber creek, to Marietta, in Marshall county, in said State.

By Mr. Gaylord: The petition of citizens of the State of Ohio, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Barlow's roads to Belpre post office, on the Ohio river, in said State.

By Mr. John Moore: The petition of citizens of the State of Louisiana, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from the mouth of Red river, in said State, to Huntsville, in the State of Texas.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Thaddeus Stevens: The petition of Peter Kieffer, an invalid of the war of 1812, praying for a pension.

By Mr. Averett: Additional evidence in the claim of William Murray, of Virginia.

Ordered, That said petition and evidence be referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. John Moore: The petition of citizens of the State of Louisiana who have settled on the Bastrop grant, praying for relief; which was referred to the Committee on Private Land Claims.

By Mr. Olds: The petition of citizens of the State of Ohio, praying for a grant of land for the purpose of constructing a road from the Missouri river, *via* the South Pass, to the Pacific ocean; which was referred to the Committee on Territories.

By Mr. Duncan: The petition of Edmund Bartlett, praying for indemnity for losses sustained by spoliation by the French, committed prior to 1800; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. Thompson Campbell: The petition of Albert G. Brockett, of the State of Illinois, praying for indemnity for property destroyed during the war with Mexico; which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Ives: The petition of citizens of the State of New York, praying for the construction of a breakwater in the harbor at Cape Vincent, in said State.

By Mr. Fay: The petition of S. C. Phillips, administrator of Jonathan P. Felt, jr.—heretofore presented December 21, 1840.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. Disney: The petition of Ralph Reeder, praying for compensation for his discovery how to avoid the irregularities in the magnetic needle; which was referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed bills of this House of the following titles, *viz*:

H. R. 255. An act making further appropriations for the construction of roads in the Territory of Minnesota;

H. R. 260. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to establish the territorial government of Oregon," approved August 14, 1848; severally without amendment.

The Senate have also passed bills of the following titles, *viz*:

S. 476. An act for the relief of the legal representatives of Dr. William Somerville, deceased;

S. 513. An act for the relief of Joseph Morehead;
in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Cabell, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That leave be granted for the withdrawal from the files of the House of the papers in the case of Isaac Garrason, administrator of Darius Garrason.

The said papers were thereupon handed to Mr. Cabell.

Mr. John G. Davis, by unanimous consent, and in pursuance of previous notice, introduced a bill (No. 340) "for the adjustment of sales and locations conflicting with swamp-land selections; which was read a first and second time, and, together with a letter from the Commissioner of the General Land Office on the same subject, referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a bill and resolution of the following titles, viz:

S. 438. An act for the relief of Charles Cooper and Company;

S. 51. A resolution for the relief of the heir of John De Neufville and Son;

in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Houston moved that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

And the question being put,

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 85
Nays..... 61

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. William Aiken
Willis Allen
John Allison
John Appleton
William S. Ashe
Thomas H. Averett
Thomas H. Bayly
Thomas Bartlett, jr.
Thomas S. Boccock
George Briggs
James Brooks
Alexander H. Buell
George H. Busby
E. Carrington Cabell
Joseph Cable
Thompson Campbell
Joseph R. Chandler
Charles Chapman
Elijah W. Chastain
Williamson R. W. Cobb
Carlton B. Curtis
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Ben. C. Eastman
Charles J. Faulkner
Thomas B. Florence
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James M. Gaylord
Joshua R. Giddings

Mr. Alfred Gilmore
Robert Goodenow
Frederick W. Green
Willard P. Hall
Isham G. Harris
Sampson W. Harris
Solomon G. Haven
Thomas A. Hendricks
Harry Hibbard
Junius Hillyer
Alexander R. Holladay
George S. Houston
John W. Howe
William F. Hunter
Timothy Jenkins
John Johnson
George W. Jones
Preston King
William H. Kurtz
John Letcher
Edward C. Marshall
James X. McLanahan
James Meacham
Richard K. Meade
John S. Millson
Henry D. Moore
John A. Morrison
Charles Murphy

Mr. William Murray
Benjamin D. Nabers
Eben Newton
Edson B. Olds
James L. Orr
Charles H. Peaslee
Ebenezer J. Penniman
John S. Phelps
Reuben Robie
John L. Robinson
John H. Savage
Richardson Sourry
David L. Seymour
Charles Skelton
William R. Smith
Richard H. Stanton
Abr'm P. Stephens
Thaddeus Stevens
Nathan T. Stratton
Charles E. Stuart
Benjamin B. Thurston
Norton S. Townshend
John Welch
Addison White
John A. Wilcox.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Nelson Barrere
Hiram Bell
Obadiah Bowne
John C. Breckinridge
Samuel Brenton
Lorenzo Burrows
Joseph P. Caldwell

Mr. Lewis D. Campbell
David K. Cartter
Lincoln Clark
Thomas L. Clingman
Joseph S. Cottmann
William Cullom
John F. Darby

Mr. David T. Disney
Alfred Dockery
James H. Duncan
Prealey Ewing
Francis B. Fay
Orlando B. Ficklin
John G. Floyd

Mr. Willis A. Gorman
Ben. Edwards Grey
Alexander Harper
Bernhart Henn
Jerediah Horsford
Thomas M. Howe
Colin M. Ingersoll
Willard Ives
Joseph W. Jackson
Andrew Johnson
James Johnson
Robert W. Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
J. Aristide Landry

Mr. Edward P. Little
Frederick S. Martin
John McNair
John G. Miller
Richard S. Molony
John Moore
Samuel W. Parker
Jared Perkins
Gilchrist Porter
William Preston
William A. Richardson
Thomas Ross
William A. Sackett

Mr. Abram M. Schermerhorn
Edward Stanley
Benjamin Stanton
Frederick P. Stanton
Alexander H. Stephens
James W. Stone
John L. Taylor
Robert Toombs
Abraham W. Venable
William T. Ward
Israel Washburn, jr.
Albert G. Watkins
Christopher H. Williams.

So the said motion was agreed to.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Richardson reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly bills of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 329. A bill making an appropriation for the payment of navy pensions for the year ending June 30, 1854;

H. R. 330. A bill making appropriations for the payment of invalid and other pensions of the United States for the year ending June 30, 1854;

H. R. 332. A bill making appropriations for the support of the Military Academy for the year ending June 30, 1854;— had directed him to report the two former without amendment; and that the committee had come to no resolution on the last-named bill.

Mr. Sibley gave notice, under the rule, of his intention to move for leave to introduce bills of the following titles, viz:

A bill granting to the States of Louisiana, Arkansas, Missouri, and Iowa, and to the Territory of Minnesota, the right of way, and a portion of the public lands, to aid in the construction of a railroad from New Orleans to the northern boundary of said Territory, with a branch to the Falls of St. Anthony; and

A bill making appropriations for the removal of obstructions in the Mississippi river above and immediately below the Falls of St. Anthony, and in the Minnesota river.

The House then proceeded to the consideration of the bills of the House numbered 329 and 330, this day reported from the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, without amendment.

Ordered, That the said bills be engrossed, and read a third time.

Being engrossed, they were accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Mr. Ficklin, by unanimous consent, from the Committee for the District of Columbia, reported a bill (No. 341) "to suppress the circulation of small notes as a currency in the District of Columbia;" which was read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. George W. Jones, the rules having been suspended for that purpose,

Ordered, That the said bill be committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, and printed; and that it be made the special order of the day for the 11th instant, and from day to day thereafter until disposed of.

Mr. Jones moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Chandler moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to submit the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the use of the Hall be granted for the anniversary of the American Colonization Society, to be held on the 18th instant, at 7 o'clock p. m.;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. McMullen,

At 3 o'clock and 5 minutes p. m., the House adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock m.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 4, 1853.

The following petitions, memorials, and other papers were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Breckinridge: The petition of Ann Jacobs, widow of John Jacobs, a soldier of the war of the revolution, praying for a pension; which was referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions.

By Mr. Mason: The petition of Charles Lyman—heretofore presented January 30, 1849.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. Eastman: The petition of N. P. Tallmadge, praying for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a railroad in the State of Wisconsin; which was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Cottman: Concurrent resolutions of the legislature of the State of Maryland, praying Congress to provide such commercial arrangement with the countries furnishing guano as will open the trade in that article to the free competition of all American citizens, and destroy the monopoly now engrossed by but a few; which were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Bell: The petition of citizens of Dayton, in the State of Ohio, praying for the protection of American inventors; which was referred to the Committee on Patents.

By Mr. Cottman: The concurrent resolutions of the legislature of the State of Maryland, praying that so much of the Washington and Baltimore turnpike road as lies within the District of Columbia be made free from toll; which were referred to the Committee on Roads and Canals.

By Mr. Mace: The petition of Joseph D. Ward—heretofore presented January 17, 1849; which was referred to the Committee of Claims.

By Mr. Thomas M. Howe: The petition of the Alleghany Valley Railroad Company, praying for the right of way through the military reserve at the Alleghany arsenal.

By Mr. Howard: The memorial of officers of the United States army, praying for extra compensation to the two companies serving at Fort Laramie.

By Mr. Gorman: The petition of T. B. Tilden, proprietor of Mitchell's Universal Atlas, praying that the government of the United States purchase a number of copies of said work for its use.

Ordered, That said petitions and memorial be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Ives: The petition of citizens of Oswego and Jefferson counties, in the State of New York, praying that breakwaters be constructed in the harbor of Cape Vincent; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickens, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a bill of this House of the following title, viz:

H. R. 120. An act authorizing certain soldiers of the late war with Great Britain to surrender the bounty-lands drawn by them, and to locate others in lieu thereof, without amendment.

The Senate have also passed bills of the following titles, viz:

S. 300. An act granting to the State of Louisiana the military reserve at Fort Jesup for a seminary of education;

S. 423. An act for the relief of the heirs of Lieutenant Colonel Henry Miller, late of Pennsylvania, for services in the revolutionary war;

S. 434. An act for the relief of Richard B. Lee;

S. 533. An act for the relief of James Wormsley;
in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Houston submitted the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That all debate in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union on the bill of the House (No. 332) "making appropriations for the support of the Military Academy for the year ending June 30, 1854," shall cease in one hour after its consideration is resumed, (if the committee shall not sooner come to a conclusion upon the same;) and the committee shall then proceed to vote on such amendments as may be pending, or offered to the same, and shall then lay it aside to be reported to the House with such amendments as may have been agreed to by the committee.

Which having been read,

Mr. Richardson moved to amend the same by inserting after "resumed" the word "*to-morrow*;" which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurring on agreeing to the said resolution,

Mr. Houston moved the previous question; and the House refused to second the same.

Mr. Houston then modified his said resolution by striking out "one hour," and inserting in lieu thereof "*two hours*."

And the question being put, Will the House agree to the said resolution as modified?

It was decided in the affirmative.

So it was resolved that all debate on the said bill shall cease in two hours, &c.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Richardson reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the bills of the House—No. 332, "making appropriations for the support of the Military Academy for the year ending June 30, 1854;" and No. 335, "to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1853"—had directed him to report the former with an amendment; and that the committee had come to no resolution on the latter.

The Speaker stated the question to be on the engrossment of the said bill H. R. 332.

Ordered, That it be engrossed, and read a third time.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Mr. Marshall, by unanimous consent, presented the memorial of citizens of the State of California, asking an appropriation for the purchase and distribution of the memoir, maps, and charts of the coast of California, prepared from the surveys of Commander Ringgold, of the United States navy; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. Hillyer gave notice, under the rule, of his intention to move for leave to introduce a bill to amend the fourth section of the act entitled "An act to make land warrants assignable, and for other purposes," approved March 22, 1852.

And then,

On motion of Mr. Hendricks,

At 3 o'clock and 20 minutes p. m., the House adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock m.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1853.

The following petitions were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Albert G. Brown: The petition of William B. Jay, on behalf of the citizens of Congressional township No. 11, range 10 east, in the county of Neshoba, in the State of Mississippi, praying for the privilege of locating a sixteenth section of land in lieu of a worthless section granted for school purposes; which was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. William Appleton: The petition of citizens of Boston, in the State of Massachusetts, praying for further alloy of silver coin; which was referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

By Mr. Ives: Two petitions of citizens of Jefferson county, in the State of New York, praying for the construction of a breakwater in the harbor of Cape Vincent, in said State; which were referred to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. Stone: The petition of James Ackerman, praying that "Stansbury's Report of the Salt Lake Expedition" be printed for the

use of the members of the House of Representatives; which was referred to the Committee on Printing.

On motion of Mr. David L. Seymour, by unanimous consent, the resolution of the Senate (No. 67) "allowing, in certain cases, to the owners of steamers further time to make the necessary preparations to bring their vessels within the provisions of an act entitled 'An act to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the better security of the lives of passengers on board of vessels propelled, in whole or in part, by steam, and for other purposes,' approved August 30, 1852," was taken from the Speaker's table and read a first and second time.

Pending the question on its third reading,

Mr. David L. Seymour moved to amend the same by inserting after the proviso at the end of the first section the following, viz: "*after the first day of January, 1853.*"

And the question being put, Will the House agree to the said amendment?

It was decided in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the said resolution be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the said amendment.

Mr. David L. Seymour moved that the vote by which the said resolution was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Lockhart, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That the Committee on Territories be discharged from the further consideration of the memorial of the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Utah, asking an appropriation to pay the expenses of Indian expeditions, and that the same be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Cobb having called up the motion, submitted at the last session by Mr. Jenkins, to lay on the table the motion to reconsider the vote by which the bill of the House (No. 323) "for the relief of the Memphis and Charleston, or Tennessee, Mississippi and Alabama, the Alabama and Tennessee River, the Coosa, the New Orleans and Jackson, and the New Orleans and Opelousas, and Great Western Railroad Company," was laid on the table,

The House proceeded to the consideration of the same.

And the question being put, Shall the said motion to reconsider be laid on the table?

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas 74
Nays 73

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. John Allison
Lander Babcock
Nelson Barrere
Thomas Bartlett, jr
Alexander H. Buell
Lorenzo Burrows
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable

Mr. Joseph R. Chandler
Charles Chapman
Sherrard Clemens
Chauncey F. Cleveland
Carlton B. Curtis
John L. Dawson
David T. Disney
James H. Duncan

Mr. Ben. C. Eastman
Alexander Evans
Orlando B. Ficklin
Thomas B. Florence
John G. Floyd
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James M. Gaylord
Joshua R. Giddings

Mr. Alfred Gilmore
 Frederick W. Green
 Isham G. Harris
 Emanuel B. Hart
 Solomon G. Haven
 Harry Hibbard
 Junius Hillyer
 Jerediah Horsford
 John W. Howe
 Thomas M. Howe
 Colin M. Ingersoll
 Willard Ives
 Timothy Jenkins
 Andrew Johnson
 John Johnson
 Daniel T. Jones
 George W. Jones

Mr. George G. King
 Preston King
 William H. Kurtz
 John Letcher
 Frederick S. Martin
 John McNair
 Ahiman L. Miner
 Henry D. Moore
 John A. Morrison
 Eben Newton
 Charles H. Peaslee
 Ebenezer J. Ponniman
 Jared Perkins
 George Read Riddle
 John Robbins, jr.
 Reuben Robie
 Thomas Ross

Mr. Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
 David L. Seymour
 Origen S. Seymour
 Charles Skelton
 Benjamin Stanton
 Richard H. Stanton
 Abr'm P. Stephens
 Thaddeus Stevens
 Nathan T. Stratton
 Charles E. Stuart
 Charles Sweetser
 Benjamin B. Thurston
 Norton S. Townshend
 Henry S. Walbridge
 Thomas Y. Walsh
 Israel Washburn, jr.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
 Thomas H. Averett
 Thomas S. Boccock
 John Bragg
 John C. Breckinridge
 Samuel Brenton
 George Briggs
 James Brooks
 Albert G. Brown
 Joseph P. Caldwell
 Lewis D. Campbell
 Thompson Campbell
 David K. Cartter
 John S. Caskie
 Elijah W. Chastain
 Lincoln Clark
 Thomas L. Clingman
 Williamson R. W. Cobb
 James L. Conger
 Joseph S. Cottman
 William Cullom
 John F. Darby
 John G. Davis
 Alfred Dockery
 Henry A. Edmundson

Mr. John D. Freeman
 Ben. Edwards Grey
 Willard P. Hall
 Alexander Harper
 Sampson W. Harris
 Thomas A. Hendricks
 Bernhart Henn
 Alexander R. Holladay
 William F. Hunter
 Joseph W. Jackson
 James Johnson
 Robert W. Johnson
 J. Aristide Landry
 Edward P. Little
 James Lockhart
 Edward C. Marshall
 Richard K. Meade
 John G. Miller
 John S. Millson
 Richard S. Molony
 John Moore
 James T. Morehead
 Charles Murphy
 Benjamin D. Naffers

Mr. Edson B. Olds
 James L. Orr
 Samuel W. Parker
 William H. Polk
 Paulus Powell
 Rodman M. Price
 William A. Richardson
 John L. Robinson
 Richardson Scurry
 Ephraim K. Smart
 William R. Smith
 Frederick P. Stanton
 Alexander H. Stephens
 John L. Taylor
 Abraham W. Venable
 Daniel Wallace
 Albert G. Watkins
 John Welch
 Addison White
 Alexander White
 John A. Wilcox
 Christopher H. Williams
 Joseph A. Woodward
 Richard Yates.

So the said motion was agreed to.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed bills and a resolution of the following titles, viz:

S. 47. An act to revive a portion of an act for the relief of the widows of deceased soldiers;

S. 97. An act to make the salary of the judge of the criminal court of the District of Columbia equal to that of an assistant judge of the circuit court of said District;

S. 573. An act for the relief of John Charles Frémont, late lieutenant colonel in the army of the United States;

S. 68. A resolution explanatory of the appropriation for the improvement of the mouth of the Sekonk river and harbor of Providence, Rhode Island;

in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Polk, from the committee of conference, on the part of the House,

on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the Senate (No. 32) entitled "An act for the relief of Margaret L. Worth," submitted the following report, viz :

The committee of conference upon the disagreeing votes of the two houses upon the bill for the relief of Margaret L. Worth, met, and, after full and free consultation, agree and recommend that the House of Representatives recede from its amendment to the Senate bill, and that said bill be passed in the form in which it came from the Senate.

SOLON BORLAND,

JAMES SHIELDS,

JOHN DAVIS,

On the part of the Senate.

WILLIAM H. POLK,

ROBERT GOODENOW,

I dissent from the above report.

I. G. HARRIS,

On the part of the House.

After debate,

Mr. Polk moved the previous question; and the House refused to second the same.

After further debate,

Mr. Dean moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz : Will the House agree to the said report? and

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 98
Nays..... 48

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
William Aiken
John Appleton
William Appleton
Leander Babcock
Thomas Bartlett, jr.
Hiram Bell
Obadiah Bowne
John Bragg
John C. Breckinridge
George Briggs
James Brooks
Albert G. Brown
George H. Brown
E. Carrington Cabell
Joseph P. Caldwell
Lewis D. Campbell
Thompson Campbell
Joseph R. Chandler
Charles Chapman
Elijah W. Chastain
William M. Churchwell
Thomas L. Clingman
James L. Conger
Joseph S. Cottman
Carlton B. Curtis
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
John L. Dawson

Mr. Gilbert Dean
David T. Disney
Thomas B. Florence
John D. Freeman
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James M. Gaylord
Alfred Gilmore
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Ben. Edwards Grey
Alexander Harper
Sampson W. Harris
Emanuel B. Hart
Augustus P. Hascall
Bernhart Henn
Volney E. Howard
Thomas M. Howe
Joseph W. Jackson
Timothy Jenkins
Daniel T. Jones
J. Aristide Landry
Edward P. Little
Edward C. Marshall
Frederick S. Martin
John McNair
Richard K. Meade
John G. Miller
Abimam L. Miner
Richard S. Molony

Mr. Henry D. Moore
John Moore
John A. Morrison
William Murray
Eben Newton
Samuel W. Parker
Alexander G. Penn
William H. Polk
Gilchrist Porter
William Preston
Rodman M. Price
George Read Riddle
John Robbins, jr.
Reuben Robie
Lorenzo Sabine
William A. Sackett
John H. Savage
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
Richardson Scurry
David L. Seymour
Ephraim K. Smart
William R. Smith
Edward Stanley
Frederick P. Stanton
Abr'm P. Stephens
Alexander H. Stephens
James W. Stone
James F. Strother
Charles E. Stuart

Mr. Charles Sweetser
John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston
Norton S. Townshend

Mr. Thomas Y. Walsh
Albert G. Watkins
Addison White
Alexander White

Mr. John A. Wilcox
Christopher H. Williams
Richard Yates.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Willis Allen
William S. Aabe
Thomas H. Averett
Nelson Barrere
James M. H. Beale
Samuel Brenton
Alexander H. Buell
David K. Cartter
Lincoln Clark
Sherrard Clemens
Williamson R. W. Cobb
John G. Davis
James H. Duncan
Joshua R. Giddings
Willard P. Hall
Isham G. Harris

Mr. Thomas A. Hendricks
Junius Hillyer
Alexander R. Holladay
Jerediah Horsford
George S. Houston
John W. Howe
William F. Hunter
Colin M. Ingersoll
Andrew Johnson
James Johnson
George W. Jones
John Letcher
James Lockhart
John C. Mason
James Meacham
John S. Millson

Mr. James T. Morehead
Benjamin D. Nabers
Edson B. Olds
James L. Orr
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Jared Perkins
John L. Robinson
Thomas Ross
Origen S. Seymour
Charles Skelton
Benjamin Stanton
Nathan T. Stratton
Abraham W. Venable
Henry S. Walbridge
John Welch
Joseph A. Woodward.

So the said report was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Polk moved that the vote by which the said report was agreed to be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Barrere, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined bills of the following titles, viz :

H. R. 120. An act authorizing certain soldiers of the late war with Great Britain to surrender the bounty-lands drawn by them, and to locate others in lieu thereof;

H. R. 137. An act for the relief of Osborn Cross, of the United States army;

H. R. 187. An act for the construction of military roads in Oregon Territory;

H. R. 255. An act making further appropriations for the construction of roads in the Territory of Minnesota;

H. R. 260. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to establish the territorial government of Oregon," approved August 14, 1848;

H. R. 331. An act granting to the Sackett's Harbor and Ellisburg Railroad Company the right of way through the military reservation at Sackett's Harbor, New York;
and found the same truly enrolled; when the Speaker signed the said bills.

On motion of Mr. Marshall,

The House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Richardson reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the bill of the House (No. 335) "to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1853," had come to no resolution thereon.

The Speaker, by unanimous consent, laid before the House the following executive communications, viz :

I. A letter from the Acting Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting

an explanatory communication from the Auditor of the Post Office Department in relation to the estimates submitted for his bureau for the next fiscal year.

Ordered, That the said letters be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means, and printed.

II. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a copy of a communication from the Comptroller of the Treasury, on the subject of the compensation of Willard Richards, esq., while acting as Secretary of Utah under an appointment from the Governor of said Territory.

Ordered, That the said letters be referred to the Committee on Territories, and printed.

And then,

On motion of Mr. McMullen,

At 3 o'clock and 30 minutes p. m., the House adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock m.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 6, 1853.

The following petitions were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit :

By Mr. Dean : The petition of citizens of Dutchess county, in the State of New York, praying for the construction of a mail-route from Poughkeepsie, in said county, to South Dover, in said State ; which was referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Stuart : The petition of Charles Stuart, a citizen of the State of Michigan, praying for the grant of land to said State to aid in the construction of the Oakland and Ottawa Railroad.

By Mr. Phelps : The petition of John S. Phelps, a citizen of the State of Missouri, praying for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a railroad from Fulton, on Red river, in Arkansas, to the Red River of the North.

By Mr. Porter : The petition of Gilchrist Porter, a citizen of the State of Missouri, praying for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a railroad in said State.

By Mr. Miller : The petition of John G. Miller, a citizen of the State of Missouri, of like import with the foregoing.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. David L. Seymour : The petition of the heirs and legal representatives of James W. Wood, praying for remuneration for losses sustained by their ancestor while held in imprisonment by the British during the war of 1812, in retaliation on account of British civilians and subjects taken and imprisoned near Fort Niagara by the United States ; which was referred to the Committee of Claims.

Mr. Preston King having called up the bill of the House (No. 326) "to prevent frauds upon the treasury of the United States"—heretofore reported, by unanimous consent, from the select committee appointed to investigate the connexion of the honorable Thomas Corwin with the Gardiner claim,

The House proceeded to the consideration of the same ; the pending

question being on the motion of Mr. Preston King, to recommit it to the said committee.

Mr. Preston King, by unanimous consent, submitted the following amendments, viz :

Insert after the word "States," in the eighth line of the second section, the following :

Or agree to receive, or receive, except by inheritance or marriage, any share or pecuniary interest in any claim against the United States ;

Also, insert in the fourth line, after the word "States," the following :

Or agree to receive, or receive, except by inheritance, bequest, or marriage, any share or pecuniary interest in any claim against the United States.

Mr. Haven, by unanimous consent, submitted the following amendment ; which, together with the amendment of Mr. King, was ordered to be printed, viz :

Add, at the end of the bill :

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That if any person or persons shall, directly or indirectly, promise, offer, or give, or cause, or produce to be promised, offered, or given, any money, goods, rights in action, bribe, present, or reward, or any promise, contract, undertaking, obligation, or security for the payment or delivery of any money, goods, right in action, bribe, present, or reward, or any other valuable thing whatever, to any member of the Senate or House of Representatives of the United States, after his election as such member, and either before or after he shall have qualified and taken his seat, or to any officer of the United States, or person holding any place of trust or profit, or discharging any official functions under or in connexion with any department of the government of the United States, or under the Senate or House of Representatives of the United States, after the passage of this act, with the intent to influence his vote, opinion, decision, or judgment, or with the intent to bias his mind on any question, matter, cause, or proceeding which may then be pending, or may, by law, or under the constitution of the United States, be brought before him in his official capacity, or in his place of trust or profit, and shall be thereof convicted, such person or persons thus offering, promising, or giving, or causing or procuring to be promised, offered, or given, any such money, goods, right in action, bribe, present, or reward, or any promise, contract, undertaking, obligation, or security for the payment or delivery of any money, goods, right in action, bribe, present, or reward, or other valuable thing whatever, and the member, officer, or person, who shall in anywise accept or receive the same, or any part thereof, shall be liable to indictment, as for a high crime and misdemeanor, before any court of the United States having jurisdiction for the trial of crimes and misdemeanors, and shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined not exceeding three times the amount so offered, promised, or given, and imprisoned in a penitentiary not exceeding three years, and the member or person convicted of so accepting or receiving the same, or any part thereof, shall forfeit his office and place, and any person so convicted under this section, shall forever be disqualified to hold any office of power, trust, or profit under the United States.

Mr. Freeman, by unanimous consent, submitted the following amendment, viz :

In line fourteen, after the word jurisdiction, in the second section, insert "*of the party;*" and,

After debate, and pending the question on the motion to recommit,

On motion of Mr. Clingman,

The House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Thomas H. Bayly reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the bill of the House (No. 335) "to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1853," had come to no resolution thereon.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed bills of the following titles, viz :

S. 301. An act to authorize the issue of a duplicate land warrant in the names of Lucretia Barton and Prudence Blandon;

S. 477. An act to continue half-pay to certain widows and orphans; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The Senate have agreed to the amendment of this House to the joint resolution (No. 67) entitled "A resolution allowing, in certain cases, to the owners of steamers further time to make the necessary preparations to bring their vessels within the provisions of an act entitled 'An act to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the better security of the lives of passengers on board of vessels propelled, in whole or in part, by steam, and for other purposes,' approved August 30, 1852."

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Barrere, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined a bill and joint resolution of the following titles, viz :

S. 32. An act for the relief of Margaret L. Worth;

S. 67. Joint resolution "allowing, in certain cases, to the owners of steamers further time to make the necessary preparations to bring their vessels within the provisions of an act entitled 'An act to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the better security of the lives of passengers on board of vessels propelled, in whole or in part, by steam, and for other purposes,' approved August 30, 1852;"

and found the same truly enrolled; when the Speaker signed the said bill and joint resolution.

The Speaker, by unanimous consent, appointed Mr. Henn an additional member of the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

On motion of Mr. George W. Jones, by unanimous consent, the Speaker laid before the House the annual report of the Clerk, of the expenditure of the contingent fund of the House, &c.; which was laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Houston, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That a communication from the Clerk of the House to the Committee of Ways and Means, transmitting a statement of the employés of the House, their salary, &c., be printed.

On motion of Mr. Giddings, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That leave be granted for the withdrawal from the files of the House of the papers in the case of Mapes Olmstead, for the purpose of reference to one of the executive departments.

The said papers were thereupon handed to Mr. Giddings.

And then,

On motion of Mr. John G. Davis,

At 3 o'clock and 30 minutes p. m., the House adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock m.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 7, 1853.

The following petitions and joint resolutions were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Beale: The petition of citizens of the State of Virginia, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Upshur Court-house to Gilmer Court-house, in said State.

By Mr. Cabell: A joint resolution of the legislature of the State of Florida, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from the town of Tampa to Old Tampa bay.

Ordered, That said petition and resolution be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Millson: The petition of John Walker, administrator of Thomas Walker, a soldier of the war of the revolution, praying for commutation pay for the services of said decedent as captain in the continental line; which was referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Claims.

By Mr. Cabell: The joint resolution of the legislature of the State of Florida, relative to the establishment of a land office in the town of Tampa, in said State.

By Mr. Doty: The petition of citizens of Grafton, in the State of Wisconsin, praying for a grant of land to the Lake Shore Railroad Company, to aid in the construction of said road.

Ordered, That said resolution and petition be referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Bowie: The petition of Mrs. Hope S. Newbold, widow of Charles Newbold, deceased, praying for a grant of land as remuneration for the services and sacrifices of her late husband in the invention and bringing into use the cast-iron plough; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Strother: The petition of Santiago E. Aguello, late a captain in the California battalion, praying for relief on account of losses of property sustained by him during the period of such service, and in consequence thereof; which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Cabell: A joint resolution of the legislature of the State of Florida, relative to the establishment of a port of entry at Bayport, in said State;

Also, a joint resolution of the legislature of the State of Florida, relative to the removal of obstructions from the bar of Volusia, on Lake George.

Ordered, That said resolutions be referred to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. Walsh: The petition of Frederick B. Jackson, praying that the representative of John Jackson, deceased, may receive the compensation due him for services while acting as lieutenant in the United States navy; which was referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

By Mr. Peaslee: The petition of Bryan Carroll, praying for relief on account of personal injuries received by him while employed on the public grounds as common laborer; which was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

On motion of Mr. Orr,

Ordered, That when the House adjourns, it adjourn until Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Bowie,

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House; and after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Phelps reported that the committee having, according to order, had the private calendar under consideration, had directed him to report bills and joint resolutions of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 161. A bill to provide for the payment of the companies of Captains Bush, Price, and Suarez, for military services in Florida;

H. R. 177. A bill for the relief of Elizabeth E. V. Field;

H. R. 199. A bill for the relief of the legal representatives of Bernard Todd;

H. R. 248. A bill for the relief of Captain Lewis E. Simonds;

H. R. 249. A bill for the relief of Harlow Spalding;

H. R. 265. A bill for the relief of Joseph M. Wilcoxon;

H. R. 272. A bill for the relief of John Ozias;

H. R. 275. A bill for the relief of William J. Price;

H. R. 278. A bill for the relief of Margaret Bawry;

H. R. 279. A bill for the relief of Mary Pearson;

H. R. 243. A bill to surrender to the State of Ohio the unfinished portion of the Cumberland road in said State;

H. R. 296. A bill for the relief of John J. Sykes;

S. 50. An act for the relief of Sidney S. Alcott;

S. 130. An act for the relief of John T. Sullivan;

H. R. 22. A joint resolution for the relief of J. P. Converse.

H. R. 302. A bill for the relief of the Michigan Southern Railroad Company;

S. 217. An act for the relief of William Speiden;

H. R. 305. A bill for the relief of John Dearnit;

H. R. 317. A bill for the relief of Nathan H. Darling;

H. R. 318. A bill for the relief of Gilman Smith, of Sycamore, in the State of Illinois;

H. R. 26. A joint resolution for the relief of Thompson Barnett;

H. R. 319. A bill for the relief of Samuel F. Butterworth; severally without amendment; and

H. R. 202. A bill for the relief of the widow and orphan children of Colonel William R. McKee, late of Lexington, Kentucky; and

S. 206. An act granting a pension to Mrs. Elizabeth V. Lomax; severally with amendment.

Mr. Houston, from the Committee of Ways and Means, reported a bill (No. 342) "making appropriations for the naval service for the year ending June 30, 1854;" which was read a first and second time, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, and, together with certain communications addressed to the Committee of Ways and Means in reference to the said bill, ordered to be printed.

Mr. Robert W. Johnson moved, at 2 o'clock and 5 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

On motion of Mr. Phelps,

Ordered, That the bill of the House (No. 319) "for the relief of Samuel F. Butterworth," be laid on the table.

The House then proceeded to the consideration of the bills and resolutions heretofore reported from a Committee of the Whole House, to the passage of which no objection should be made; when

Bills and joint resolutions of the following titles, viz:—

H. R. 157. A bill for the relief of Josiah P. Pilcher, late a private in company F, second regiment of Kentucky volunteers;

H. R. 159. A bill for the relief of the heirs-at-law of Anthony G. Willis, deceased;

H. R. 162. A bill for the relief of Doctor S. R. Addison, passed assistant surgeon in the United States navy;

H. R. 163. A bill for the relief of Jacob J. Storer;

H. R. 178. A bill for the relief of Henry Miller, a soldier of the war of 1812;

H. R. 179. A bill for the relief of William Lynch, a soldier of the late war with Great Britain;

H. R. 182. A bill for the relief of Charles Staples;

H. R. 183. A bill for the relief of Aaron Stafford;

H. R. 197. A bill for the relief of John B. Rodgers, of South Carolina.

H. R. 201. A bill for the relief of George Simpton, of Galveston;

H. R. 232. A bill for the relief of C. L. Swayze, in relation to the location of certain Choctaw scrip;

H. R. 161. A bill to provide for the payment of the companies of Captains Bush, Price, and Suarez, for military services in Florida;

H. R. 177. A bill for the relief of Elizabeth E. V. Field;

H. R. 199. A bill for the relief of the legal representatives of Bernard Todd;

H. R. 265. A bill for the relief of Joseph M. Wilcoxon;

H. R. 272. A bill for the relief of John Ozias;

H. R. 275. A bill for the relief of William J. Price;

H. R. 278. A bill for the relief of Margaret Baury;

H. R. 279. A bill for the relief of Mary Pearson;

H. R. 243. A bill to surrender to the State of Ohio the unfinished portion of the Cumberland road in said State;

H. R. 296. A bill for the relief of John J. Sykes;

J. R. 22. A joint resolution for the relief of J. P. Converse;

H. R. 302. An act for the relief of the Michigan Southern Railroad Company;

H. R. 305. A bill for the relief of John Dearmit;

H. R. 317. A bill for the relief of Nathan H. Darling;

H. R. 318. A bill for the relief of Gilman Smith, of Sycamore, in the State of Illinois;

J. R. 26. A joint resolution for the relief of Thompson Barnet;—were severally ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time;

And being engrossed, were accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Bill of the House (No. 202) "for the relief of the widow and orphan children of Colonel William R. McKee, late of Lexington, Kentucky," was next taken up, and the amendment reported thereto from the Committee of the Whole House agreed to.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read a third time.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Bills of the Senate of the following titles, viz:—

S. 50. An act for the relief of Sidney S. Alcott;

S. 130. An act for the relief of John T. Sullivan;

S. 217. An act for the relief of William Speiden;—were severally ordered to be read a third time.

They were accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Bill of the Senate (No. 206) entitled "An act granting a pension to Mrs. Elizabeth V. Lomax," was next taken up, and the amendment reported thereto from the Committee of the Whole House agreed to.

Ordered, That the said bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the said amendment.

Bill of the House (No. 198) "for the relief of Joseph Arnow and Peter Arnow," was next taken up.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read a third time.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Jackson, the title of the said bill was amended so as to read "A bill for the relief of the heirs or legal representatives of Joseph Arnow, deceased."

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the said bill.

On motion of Mr. Walsh, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That leave be granted for the withdrawal of the papers in the case of Peter Shackerly, for the purpose of reference to one of the executive departments.

The said papers were thereupon handed to Mr. Walsh;

And then,

On motion of Mr. Letcher,

At 2 o'clock and 30 minutes p. m., the House adjourned until Monday next at 12 o'clock m.

MONDAY, JANUARY 10, 1853.

The following petitions, memorials, and other papers were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Strother: The petition of citizens of the State of Virginia, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Aldea to Snickersville, in said State.

By Mr. Martin: The petition of the State of New York, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Panama, via Steadmann and Mayville, to Westfield, in Chautauque county, in said State.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Russell: The petition of John Ferris—heretofore presented February 12, 1850;

Also, the petition of Squire Ferris—heretofore presented March 28, 1848.

By Mr. Fay: The petition of citizens of Essex county, in the State of Massachusetts, praying for the amendment of the revolutionary pension laws.

By Mr. Haven: The petition of Mary Miller, on behalf of Daniel Hicks, praying that his name be replaced on the pension-roll.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions.

By Mr. Isham G. Harris: The petition of Thomas A. Pastures, praying for commutation pay; which was referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Claims.

By Mr. Doty: The petition of citizens of the State of Wisconsin, praying for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a railroad from Green bay to Fort Winnebago;

Also, the petition of citizens of the State of Wisconsin, praying for a grant of land to aid in the construction of the Green Bay, Milwaukee, and Chicago railroad.

By Mr. Ross: The petition of citizens of Lehigh county, in the State of Pennsylvania, praying for a modification of the bounty-land law of 1850.

By Mr. Washburn, jr.: The petition of Joseph W. Cushing, praying that bounty-land be granted to William H. Cushing.

By Mr. Linn Boyd: The petition of Warena Howard and Sarah Brewster, praying that the provisions of the bounty-land act of 1850 be extended to widows and minor children.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Haven: The petition of Benjamin Cook, praying for repayment of money to him improperly paid for land; which was referred to the Committee on Private Land Claims.

By Mr. Richard H. Stanton: The petition of William Cowing, praying to be allowed the 20 per cent. allowed to clerks by act of Congress.

By Mr. Eastman: The petition of John D. Sheldon, praying to be allowed additional compensation for services as assistant bookkeeper in the Third Auditor's Office from May 4, 1846, to May 31, 1849.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee of Claims.

By Mr. Stone: The petition of the laborers in the State Department, praying for additional compensation for their services; which was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

By Mr. Chandler: The memorial of merchants and insurance companies of Philadelphia, praying for the abolition of the tax upon seamen known as the "hospital money."

By Mr. Riddle: The memorial of the commissioners of the town of New Castle, in the State of Delaware, praying for the completion of the piers in the Delaware river, in said town.

By Mr. Sutherland: The petition of the Mutual Insurance Company of New York; also, the petition of the Mutual Insurance Company of Providence, Rhode Island, praying for the erection and making permanently certain signals along the Florida reef.

Ordered, That said memorials and petitions be referred to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. Cable: The petition of citizens of Columbiana county, in the State of Ohio, praying for the passage of the homestead bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

On motion of Mr. Chandler, by unanimous consent, the vote by which the bill of the Senate (No. 217) entitled "An act for the relief of William Speiden," was on Friday last passed, was reconsidered; and by unanimous consent the said bill was amended by inserting in the blank after "Speiden" the words "*two and half*;" and the bill as amended passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the said amendment.

The regular order of business having been called for,

The Speaker announced, as first in order, the motion submitted by Mr. Chandler, and pending when the House adjourned on Monday last, viz: to suspend the rules, so as to enable him to submit the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the use of the Hall be granted for the anniversary of the American Colonization Society, to be held on the 18th instant, at 7 o'clock p. m.

And the question being put on the said motion,

It was decided in the negative—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. McLanahan moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to report, from the Committee on the Judiciary, "A bill in addition to the several acts for regulating processes in the courts of the United States;" which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

On motion of Mr. Burt, the rules having been suspended for that purpose, the bill of the Senate (No. 566) entitled "An act authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue a new register to the ship *Prentice*, and change her name to that of *Leonie*," was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the said bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read a third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Phelps, the rules having been suspended for that purpose, the bill of the Senate (No. 573) entitled "An act for the relief of John C. Frémont, late lieutenant colonel in the army of the United States," was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Phelps, the rule requiring its commitment was suspended; and

The Speaker stated the question to be on its third reading.

After debate,

Mr. Phelps moved to amend the said bill by striking out the letter "I." in the thirteenth line, before the word "Huttman," and inserting in lieu thereof the letter "F.;" which motion was agreed to.

Mr. Robert W. Johnson, by unanimous consent, moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs, with instructions to report upon the same at any time, and that it be printed; which motion, under the operation of the previous question, was agreed to.

Mr. Richardson moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to submit the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the Committee on Roads and Canals be instructed to inquire into the expediency and necessity of constructing a railroad from Nauvoo, the head of the Des Moines rapids, to Warsaw, below the foot of said rapids, to facilitate the improvement of the channel of the Mississippi river where the same is obstructed by the rocks of said rapids, and that they report by bill or otherwise.

And the question being put,

It was decided in the negative—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

On motion of Mr. Meacham, the rules having been suspended for that purpose, the joint resolution of the Senate (No. 64) "for the appointment of Regents in the Smithsonian Institution," was read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the said resolution be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Meade moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to submit the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the President of the United States be requested to communicate to this House, if not incompatible with the public interest, all correspondence not heretofore published between this government and that of Nicaragua, or her minister here, since the 4th of March, 1849; which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Wilcox moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move to take from the Speaker's table the bill of the Senate (No. 429) entitled "An act for the relief of Benjamin S. Roberts;" which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Henn moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to submit the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That it shall be the order of the House for this day, and each succeeding day, to call the committees for reports, for one hour daily, and to the exclusion of all other business, until the committees

are called through: *Provided*, That no bill reported from a committee shall be put upon its passage, when reported, except by the unanimous consent of the House.

And the question being put,

It was decided in the negative—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Houston submitted the following resolution; which was read, and, under the operation of the previous question, agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That all debate in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union on the bill of the House (No. 335) "to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1853," shall cease at 12 o'clock m. to-morrow, (if the committee shall not sooner come to a conclusion upon the same;) and the committee shall then proceed to vote on such amendments as may be pending or offered to the same, and shall then report it to the House with such amendments as shall have been agreed to by the committee.

Mr. Darby gave notice, under the rule, of his intention to move for leave to introduce a bill supplementary to an act entitled "An act to amend an act to provide for the better security of the lives of passengers on board of vessels propelled, in whole or in part, by steam, and for other purposes," approved August 30, 1852.

Mr. Henn, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee did, on the 7th instant, present to the President of the United States bills and joint resolutions of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 120. An act authorizing certain soldiers of the late war with Great Britain to surrender the bounty-lands drawn by them, and to locate others in lieu thereof;

H. R. 137. An act for the relief of Osborn Cross, of the United States army;

H. R. 187. An act for the construction of military roads in Oregon Territory;

H. R. 255. An act making further appropriations for the construction of roads in the Territory of Minnesota;

H. R. 260. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to establish the territorial government of Oregon," approved August 14, 1848;

H. R. 331. An act granting to the Sackett's Harbor and Ellisburg Railroad Company the right of way through the military reservation at Sackett's Harbor, New York;

S. 32. An act for the relief of Margaret L. Worth;

S. 65. Joint resolution explanatory of the act appropriating money for the removal of the raft of Red river;

S. 66. Joint resolution in relation to the census returns from the State of California;

S. 67. Joint resolution allowing, in certain cases, to the owners of steamers further time to make the necessary preparations to bring their vessels within the provisions of an act entitled "An act to amend an act to provide for the better security of the lives of passengers on board of vessels propelled, in whole or in part, by steam, and for other purposes," approved August 30, 1852.

On motion of Mr. Orr,

The House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and after some time spent therein, the

Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Thomas H. Bayly reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the bill of the House (No. 335) "to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1853," had come to no resolution thereon.

Mr. Outlaw moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move that the bill of the Senate (No. 509) entitled "An act for the relief of Elizabeth Armistead," be taken from the Speaker's table;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Outlaw,

At 4 o'clock p. m., the House adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock m.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 11, 1853.

The following petitions and memorial were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Williams: The petition of citizens of the State of Tennessee, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Lexington to Trenton, in said State; which was referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Richardson: The petition of citizens of the State of Illinois, praying for the detachment of certain lands from the Dixon land office district, and attach it to the Quincy district.

By Mr. Abercrombie: The petition of citizens of the State of Alabama, praying for the removal of the land office from Sparta to Elba, in said State.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Giddings: The memorial of the Yearly Meeting of Anti-Slavery Friends of the State of Indiana, praying for the repeal of the fugitive-slave law; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Preston: The petition of George P. Smith—heretofore presented May 27, 1850; which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickens, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed bills of the following titles, viz:

S. 94. An act to increase the efficiency of the army by a retired list for disabled officers;

S. 472. An act for the relief of William Moss and Matthew Moss; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Gorman, from the Committee on Printing on the part of the House, to which was referred the following resolution, viz:—

Resolved, That one hundred thousand copies of the report of the Superintendent of the Census (which accompanied the last message of the President) be printed separately for the use of the members of the House—

made a report thereon; and

The Speaker having stated the question to be on agreeing to the said resolution,

Mr. Dean moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Will the House agree to the said resolution?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

So the resolution was agreed to.

The House then resumed, as the business first in order, the consideration of the bill of the House (No. 326) "to prevent frauds upon the treasury of the United States"—heretofore reported from the select committee appointed to investigate the connexion of the Hon. Thomas Corwin with the Gardiner claim, and to which sundry amendments were offered when the bill was last under consideration; the pending question being on the motion to recommit the same to the said committee.

The said motion to recommit having been withdrawn,

Mr. Haven, by unanimous consent, submitted the following amendments, viz:

Add at the end of the bill the following as additional sections:

SEC. —. *And be it further enacted*, That any person who, with intent to steal, shall take and carry away any record, paper, or proceeding of a court of justice filed or deposited with any clerk or officer of such court, or any paper, or document, or record filed or deposited in any public office, or with any judicial or public officer, shall, without reference to the value of the record, paper, document, or proceeding so taken, be liable to indictment as for larceny in any court of the United States having jurisdiction for the trial of crimes and misdemeanors against the United States, and, upon conviction thereof, shall pay a fine not exceeding two thousand dollars, or suffer imprisonment in a penitentiary not exceeding three years, or both, as the court in its discretion shall adjudge.

SEC. —. *And be it further enacted*, That any officer having the custody of any record, document, paper, or proceeding specified in the last preceding section of this act, who shall fraudulently take away, or withdraw, or destroy any such record, document, paper, or proceeding filed in his office, or deposited with him or in his custody, shall be liable to indictment as for a misdemeanor in any court of the United States having jurisdiction for the trial of crimes and misdemeanors against the United States, and, on conviction thereof, shall pay a fine not exceeding two thousand dollars, or suffer imprisonment in a penitentiary not exceeding three years, or both, as the court in its discretion shall adjudge, and shall forfeit his office, and be forever afterwards disqualified from holding any office under the government of the United States.

The said amendments having been read,

Mr. Preston King renewed his motion to recommit the bill to the said committee.

After debate, and pending the question thereon,

On motion of Mr. Dean,

The House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and after some time spent therein, the

Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Albert G. Brown reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the special order, viz: H. R. 341. A bill to suppress the circulation of small notes as a currency in the District of Columbia, had come to no resolution thereon.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickens, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed bills of this House of the following titles, viz:—

H. R. 198. An act for the relief of the heirs or legal representatives of Joseph Arnow, deceased;

H. R. 243. An act to surrender to the State of Ohio the unfinished portion of the Cumberland road in said State;—
severally without amendment.

The Senate have agreed to the amendments of this House to the bills of the Senate of the following titles, viz:

S. 217. An act for the relief of William Speiden;

S. 206. An act granting a pension to Mrs. Elizabeth V. Lomax.

The President of the United States has notified the Senate that he did, on the 7th instant, approve and sign joint resolutions of the following titles, viz:

S. 65. Joint resolution explanatory of the act appropriating money for the removal of the raft of Red river;

S. 66. Joint resolution in relation to the census returns from the State of California;

S. 67. Joint resolution allowing, in certain cases, to the owners of steamers further time to make the necessary preparations to bring their vessels within the provisions of an act entitled "An act to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the better security of the lives of passengers on board of vessels propelled, in whole or in part, by steam, and for other purposes," approved August 30, 1852.

And then,

On motion of Mr. Cable,

At 3 o'clock and 30 minutes p. m., the House adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock m.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12, 1863.

The following petitions were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Howard: The petition of the heirs and legal representatives of Zephaniah Ross, a soldier of the war of the revolution, praying for arrears of pension due their father at his death.

By Mr. Morehead: The petition of Charles Banner, administrator of Noah Bailey, praying for the payment of a certificate issued by the State of Virginia to Noah Bailey, for services as a soldier of infantry in the war of the revolution.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions.

By Mr. Hall: The petition of Willard P. Hall, praying for a survey of a railroad route to California.

By Mr. Cobb: The petition of Williamson R. W. Cobb, on behalf

of Henry Tripp, praying for the amendment of the various acts for the correction of errors in making entries of land, so as to be applicable to all entries or locations by bounty-land warrants, or otherwise.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Durkee: The petition of Increase A. Laphan, praying to be allowed a reasonable compensation for his geological and scientific labors and investigations, transferred by him to the United States corps of geologists to survey the iron region of Lake Superior; which was referred to the Committee of Claims.

By Mr. Burrows: The petition of citizens of the State of New York, praying for the improvement of the mouth of Twelve Mouth creek, in Niagara county, in said State; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. Henn, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, bills of the following titles, viz:

S. 206. An act granting a pension to Mrs. Elizabeth V. Lomax;

S. 566. An act authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue a new register to the ship Prentice, and change her name to that of Leonie;

S. 217. An act for the relief of William Speiden;

S. 50. An act for the relief of Sidney S. Alcott;

S. 130. An act for the relief of John T. Sullivan; when

The Speaker signed the same.

Mr. Richard H. Stanton, from the Committee on Printing on the part of the House, reported the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the copies of the Report of the Superintendent of the Census, of December 1, 1852, ordered by the House to be printed, be bound by the House contractor, under the direction of the House members of the Joint Committee on Printing.

The same having been read,

Mr. Alexander H. Stephens moved to amend the same by adding thereto the following, viz:

"And that the said committee cause to be published by the public printer, and bound with the said Report, one hundred thousand copies of the abstract of census reported to the House at the last session."

After debate,

Mr. Alexander H. Stephens moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Will the House agree to the said amendment?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

Under the further operation of the previous question, the said resolution, as amended, was agreed to.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a bill and joint resolution of the following titles, viz:

S. 575. An act confirming certain land claims in Louisiana in the Bastrop grant;

S. 14. A resolution to provide ice-boats for the Potomac river; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

The House then resumed the consideration of the bill of the House (No. 326) "to prevent frauds upon the treasury of the United States"—heretofore reported from the select committee appointed to investigate the connexion of the Hon. Thomas Corwin with the Gardiner claim; the pending question being on the motion of Mr. Preston King to recommit the same to the said committee.

After debate, and pending the question on the motion to recommit,

On motion of Mr. Orr,

The House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Albert G. Brown reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the bill of the House (No. 341) "to suppress the circulation of small notes as a currency in the District of Columbia," had come to no resolution thereon.

A message was received from the President of the United States, by Millard P. Fillmore, his private secretary, notifying the House that he did, on the 7th instant, approve and sign bills of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 255. An act making further appropriations for the construction of roads in the Territory of Minnesota;

H. R. 187. An act for the construction of military roads in Oregon Territory;

H. R. 260. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to establish the territorial government of Oregon," approved August 14, 1848;

H. R. 137. An act for the relief of Osborn Cross, of the United States army;

H. R. 331. An act granting to the Sackett's Harbor and Ellisburg Railroad Company the right of way through the military reservation at Sackett's Harbor, New York;

H. R. 120. An act authorizing certain soldiers of the late war with Great Britain to surrender the bounty-lands drawn by them, and to locate others in lieu thereof.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed bills of the House of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 329. An act making an appropriation for the payment of navy pensions for the year ending June 30, 1854; and

H. R. 330. An act making appropriations for the payment of invalid and other pensions of the United States for the year ending June 30, 1854; the former without and the latter with an amendment; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The Senate have passed a bill of the following title, viz:

S. 577. An act authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue a register to the Hanoverian brig "Michael," a foreign vessel, now owned by James E. Smith and Edwin Smith, of Sag Harbor, in the State of New York;

in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Dean gave notice, under the rule, of his intention to move for

leave to introduce a bill "to carry into effect the resolution of Congress, passed August 7, 1783, to erect at the capital of the nation an Equestrian Statue of Washington."

On motion of Mr. Houston, by unanimous consent, the House proceeded to the consideration of the bill of the House (No. 330) entitled "An act making appropriations for the payment of invalid and other pensions of the United States for the year ending June 30, 1854"—reported this day from the Senate with an amendment; when

The said amendment was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Houston, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That a letter from the Secretary of War to the Committee of Ways and Means, transmitting statements of balances heretofore carried to the surplus fund, and required to pay outstanding claims, be printed.

Mr. Hunter submitted the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That all debate in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of Union on the bill of the House (No. 341) "to suppress the circulation of small notes as a currency in the District of Columbia," shall cease in five minutes after the committee shall resume its consideration, (if the committee shall not sooner come to a conclusion upon the same;) and the committee shall then proceed to vote on such amendments as may be pending or offered to the same, and shall then report it to the House with such amendments as may have been agreed to by the committee;

Pending which,

Mr. Hunter moved the previous question;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. McMullen,

At 3 o'clock and 35 minutes p. m., the House adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock m.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13, 1853.

The following petitions and other papers were laid on the Clerk's table, until the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Ives: The petition of himself, on behalf of the citizens of the State of New York, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Three Mile bay to Point Peninsula, in Jefferson county, in said State; which was referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Russell: The petition of Albro Tripp, in addition to one heretofore presented December 10, 1851, praying for an increase of his pension; which was referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. Bragg: The petition of C. A. Bradford, of the State of Alabama, praying for the passage of a law granting the right of pre-emption to settlers on the reserved lands on the line of the Mobile and Ohio railroad.

By Mr. Gorman: The petition of James Holstin, praying for relief on account of an erroneous entry of land.

By Mr. Henn: The petition of L. McKennett and others, a committee

appointed by a convention held at St. Louis November 15, 1852, praying for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a railroad from New Orleans to Minnesota.

By Mr. Thompson Campbell: The petition of David B. Sears, praying to be granted the right of pre-emption to a certain tract of land settled and improved by him.

By Mr. Doty: Two petitions of citizens of the State of Wisconsin, praying for a grant of land to aid in the construction of the Lake Shore railroad.

By Mr. Miller: The memorial of the president and directors of the Canton and Bloomfield Railroad Company, praying Congress for a grant of land to aid in the construction of certain railroads therein mentioned.

Ordered, That said petitions and memorial be referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Murray: The petition of Roswell Minard, praying that the Commissioner of Pensions be authorized and directed to issue to him a land warrant as heir of Theodore Minard, deceased, a soldier of the Mexican war; which was referred to the Committee on Private Land Claims.

By Mr. Howard: Additional evidence in the case of honorable J. C. Watrous, of Texas; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Gorman: The petition of a citizen of the District of Columbia, praying that a certain part of Delaware avenue be vacated; which was referred to the Committee for the District of Columbia.

By Mr. Doty: The petition of citizens of the State of Wisconsin, praying for a grant of a part of the Green Bay military reservation for a poor-house; which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. ———: The petition of John Butler and his associates, praying for indemnity for losses and injuries sustained by the steamer Florida during the war with Mexico, in obeying the orders of the United States quartermasters, under circumstances of great emergency; which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Ashe: The petition of citizens of North Carolina, praying for the removal of obstructions to navigation off Cape Fear bar.

By Mr. Howard: The petition of John E. Gary and Margaret Maxan, widow and executrix of Felix Maxan, praying for indemnity on account of the destruction of property at Brownsville, in the State of Texas.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. Darby, by unanimous consent, presented the memorial of a convention of citizens held in the city of St. Louis, Missouri, praying for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a railroad west of the Mississippi river, from New Orleans to the central region of Minnesota Territory; which was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Mr. Henn, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, a joint resolution of the following title, viz;

S. 64. Joint resolution for the appointment of Regents in the Smithsonian Institution; when

The Speaker signed the same.

The House then proceeded to the consideration of the resolution submitted by Mr. Hunter on yesterday, to close debate on the bill of the House No. 341; the pending question when the House adjourned being on the demand for the previous question; when

The previous question was seconded, and the main question ordered and put; and, under the operation thereof, the said resolution was agreed to.

Mr. Houston moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Wilcox moved that he be excused from further service on the Committee on Military Affairs; which motion was disagreed to.

The House then resumed the consideration of the bill of the House (No. 326) "to prevent frauds upon the treasury of the United States"—heretofore reported from the select committee appointed to investigate the connexion of the Hon. Thomas Corwin with the Gardiner claim; the pending question being on the motion of Mr. Preston King to recommit the same to the said committee.

After debate,

Mr. King withdrew his said motion to recommit.

The question then recurring on the amendments heretofore submitted,

Mr. Preston King moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put; and, under the operation thereof, the said amendments were agreed to, except that submitted by Mr. Freeman; which was disagreed to.

The question then recurring on the engrossment and third reading of the bill,

Mr. Sweetser moved that it be laid on the table;

And the question being put on the latter motion,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 11
Nays..... 148

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. Alexander R. Holladay
Robert W. Johnson
Richard K. Meade
John S. Millson

Mr. William H. Polk
Richard H. Stanton
James F. Strother
Charles Sweetser

Mr. Robert Toombs
John Welch
Addison White.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
William Aiken
Charles Allen
Willis Allen
William Appleton
Thomas H. Averett
Thomas H. Bayly
Nelson Barrere
James M. H. Beale
Hiram Bell
Henry Bennett
Richard I. Bowie
John Bragg
Samuel Brenton
George Briggs
James Brooks

Mr. Albert G. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
Armistead Burt
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
Joseph P. Caldwell
Lewis D. Campbell
Thompson Campbell
David K. Cartter
Joseph R. Chandler
Charles Chapman
Elijah W. Chastain
Lincoln Clark
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
Joseph S. Cottman

Mr. William Cullom
Carlton B. Curtis
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick
David T. Dimsey
Alfred Dockery
James H. Duncan
Charles Durkee
Ben. C. Eastman
Henry A. Edmundson
Alexander Evans
Francis B. Fay

Mr. Orlando B. Ficklin
 Thomas B. Florence
 John D. Freeman
 James M. Gaylord
 Joshua R. Giddings
 Alfred Gilmore
 Robert Goodenow
 Willis A. Gorman
 Ben. Edwards Grey
 Willard P. Hall
 Alexander Harper
 Iaham G. Harris
 Sampson W. Harris
 John H. H. Haws
 Augustus P. Hascall
 Solomon G. Haven
 Thomas A. Hendricks
 Junius Hillyer
 Jerediah Horsford
 George S. Houston
 Volney E. Howard
 John W. Howe
 William F. Hunter
 Willard Ives
 Joseph W. Jackson
 Timothy Jenkins
 Andrew Johnson
 James Johnson
 Daniel T. Jones
 George W. Jones
 J. Glancy Jones
 Preston King
 William H. Kurtz
 J. Aristide Landry

Mr. John Letcher
 Edward P. Little
 James Lockhart
 Daniel Mace
 Frederick S. Martin
 James X. McLanahan
 Fayette McMullen
 James Meacham
 John G. Miller
 Richard S. Molony
 Henry D. Moore
 John Moore
 James T. Morehead
 John A. Morrison
 Charles Murphy
 William Murray
 Benjamin D. Nabers
 Eben Newton
 Edson B. Olds
 James L. Orr
 David Outlaw
 Andrew Parker
 Samuel W. Parker
 Alexander G. Penn
 Ebenezer J. Penniman
 Jared Perkins
 John S. Phelps
 Paulus Powell
 William Preston
 Rodman M. Price
 William A. Richardson
 George Read Riddle
 John Robbins, jr.
 Reuben Robie

Mr. John L. Robinson
 Thomas Ross
 Lorenzo Sabine
 William A. Sackett
 John H. Savage
 John L. Schoolcraft
 Richardson Scurry
 David L. Seymour
 Origen S. Seymour
 Charles Skelton
 Edward Stanly
 Benjamin Stanton
 Frederick P. Stanton
 Abr'm P. Stephens
 Alexander H. Stephens
 Thaddeus Stevens
 Nathan T. Stratton
 Charles E. Stuart
 Josiah Sutherland
 John L. Taylor
 Benjamin B. Thurston
 Norton S. Townshend
 Amos Tuck
 Abraham W. Venable
 Henry S. Walbridge
 Daniel Wallace
 William T. Ward
 Israel Washburn, jr.
 Albert G. Watkins
 John Wells
 Alexander White
 John A. Wilcox
 Joseph A. Woodward.

So the House refused to lay the bill on the table.

Under the further operation of the previous question, the bill was ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time;

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time.

Pending the question on its passage,

Mr. Preston King moved the previous question;

Pending which,

Mr. Meade moved, at 3 o'clock and 20 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurring on the demand for the previous question,

Mr. Preston King withdrew the same; and moved that the said bill be recommitted to the select committee from which the same was reported; and also renewed his demand for the previous question;

Pending which,

Mr. George W. Jones moved that the vote by which the said bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, be reconsidered;

Pending which,

Mr. Henn, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee did, on this day, present to the President of the United States bills and a joint resolution of the following titles, viz:

S. 566. An act authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue a new register to the ship Prentice, and change her name to that of Leonie;

S. 206. An act granting a pension to Mrs. Elizabeth V. Lomax;

- S. 50. An act for the relief of Sidney S. Alcott ;
S. 217. An act for the relief of William Speiden ;
S. 130. An act for the relief of John T. Sullivan ;
S. 64. Joint resolution for the appointment of Regents in the Smithsonian Institution.

And then,

On motion of Mr. Gorman,

At 3 o'clock and 25 minutes p. m., the House adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock m.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 14, 1853.

The following petitions, memorial, and other papers were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit :

By Mr. Olds: The petition of the clerks and messengers employed in the post office of Washington city, praying for the same increase of compensation as was given by the act of last session to the clerks in the departments.

By Mr. Penniman: The petition of citizens of Washtenaw county, in the State of Michigan, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Manchester, in Washtenaw county, to Chelsea, in said State.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Bell: The petition of citizens of the State of Ohio, on behalf of William Morris, praying that he be allowed a pension.

By Mr. Richard H. Stanton: Additional papers in the claim of William Gracy.

Ordered, That said petition and papers be referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. Darby: The petition of Augustus H. Evans, Robert Wash, and Matthew Kerr, praying for authority to locate certain certificates issued by the receiver of land titles for the State of Missouri, under the act of February 17, 1815, for the relief of sufferers by earthquake in the county of New Madrid; which was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Florence: The petition of T. B. Tilden, in relation to the purchase, by the government, of Mitchell's Universal Atlas; which was referred to the House members of the Joint Committee on Printing.

By Mr. George T. Davis: The petition of citizens of Stockbridge, in the State of Massachusetts, praying for the adjustment of national difficulties without war; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. Linn Boyd: The petition of William H. Chase, remonstrating against the creation of the rank of lieutenant general, and praying for a more efficient organization of the army; which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Brooks: The memorial of the Chamber of Commerce of the city of New York, praying that certain duties collected wrongfully of merchants of said city; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill of the House

(No. 326) "to prevent frauds upon the treasury of the United States;" the pending question being on the motion of Mr. George W. Jones to lay on the table the motion to reconsider the vote by which the said bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Alexander H. Stephens,

Ordered, That there be a call of the House.

The roll having been called, the following named members failed to answer to their names, viz :

James Abercrombie, John Appleton, David J. Bailey, Thomas H. Bayly, Nelson Barrere, James M. H. Beale, Hiram Bell, Thomas M. Bibighaus, William H. Bissell, Obadiah Bowne, John H. Boyd, Albert G. Brown, George H. Brown, Alexander H. Buell, E. Carrington Cabell, William M. Churchwell, Chauncey F. Cleveland, Thomas L. Clingman, William F. Colcock, James L. Conger, Joseph S. Cottman, John R. J. Daniel, Alfred Dockery, Cyrus L. Dunham, Charles Durkee, Alfred P. Edgerton, Henry A. Edmundson, Alexander Evans, Presley Ewing, Charles J. Faulkner, Graham N. Fitch, Thomas B. Florence, John G. Floyd, Henry M. Fuller, James Gamble, Meredith P. Gentry, Alfred Gilmore, John Z. Goodrich, Frederick W. Green, Galusha A. Grow, William T. Hamilton, Edward Hammond, Emanuel B. Hart, John H. H. Haws, William Hebard, Harry Hibbard, Thomas M. Howe, Willard Ives, James Johnson, Horace Mann, Edward C. Marshall, John C. Mason, Joseph W. McCorkle, Moses McDonald, James X. McLanahan, John McNair, John McQueen, Richard K. Meade, Charles H. Peaslee, William H. Polk, Paulus Powell, Isaac Reed, John H. Savage, Abr'm M. Schermerhorn, John L. Schoolcraft, Marius Schoonmaker, Richardson Scurry, Ephraim K. Smart, James W. Stone, Louis St. Martin, James F. Strother, Josiah Sutherland, Daniel Wallace, Thomas Y. Walsh, William T. Ward, John Wells, Isaac Wildrick, Richard Yates.

When,

On motion of Mr. Nabers, all further proceedings in the call were dispensed with.

The question was then put on the motion of Mr. Jones, to lay on the table the motion to reconsider ;

And it was decided in the affirmative.

The question then recurring on the demand for the previous question, it was seconded ; and the main question ordered and put, viz : Shall the said bill be recommitted ?

And it was decided in the negative.

Under the further operation of the previous question, the question was then put, Shall the bill pass ?

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 134
Nays..... 23

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. William Aiken
Charles Allen
Willis Allen
John Allison

Mr. William Appleton
Thomas H. Averett
Leander Babcock
Henry Bennett

Mr. Thomas S. Bocock
Richard I. Bowie
John Bragg
John C. Brockinridge

Mr. Samuel Brenton
George Briggs
James Brooks
Lorenzo Burrows
Armistead Burt
Joseph Cable
Joseph P. Caldwell
Lewis D. Campbell
Thompson Campbell
David K. Cartter
John S. Caskie
Joseph R. Chandler
Charles Chapman
Lincoln Clark
Sherrard Clemens
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
William Cullom
Carlton B. Curtis
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick
David T. Disney
James H. Duncan
Ben. C. Eastman
Francis B. Fay
Orlando B. Ficklin
Thomas B. Florence
James M. Gaylord
Joshua E. Giddings
Alfred Gilmore
Robert Goodenow
Willis A. Gorman
Ben. Edwards Grey
Willard P. Hall
Isham G. Harris
Sampson W. Harris
Augustus P. Hascall

Mr. Solomon G. Haven
Bernhart Hena
Junius Hillyer
Jerediah Horsford
George S. Houston
Volney E. Howard
John W. Howe
Thomas Y. How, jr.
Colin M. Ingersoll
Joseph W. Jackson
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George W. Jones
J. Glancy Jones
George G. King
Preston King
Joseph H. Kuhns
William H. Kurtz
John Letcher
Edward P. Little
Daniel Mace
Edward C. Marshall
Frederick S. Martin
Fayette McMullen
Richard S. Molony
Henry D. Moore
John Moore
James T. Morehead
John A. Morrison
Charles Murphy
William Murray
Benjamin D. Nabers
Edson B. Olds
James L. Orr
David Outlaw
Andrew Parker
Samuel W. Parker
Alexander G. Penn
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Jared Perkins

Mr. John S. Phelps
William H. Polk
Gilchrist Porter
William Preston
William A. Richardson
George Read Riddle
John Robbins, jr.
Reuben Robie
John L. Robinson
Thomas Ross
Joseph Russell
Lorenzo Sabine
William A. Sackett
John H. Savage
David L. Seymour
Origen S. Seymour
Charles Skelton
William R. Smith
William W. Snow
Edward Stanly
Benjamin Stanton
Abr'm P. Stephens
Alexander H. Stephens
James W. Stone
Louis St. Martin
Nathan T. Stratton
Charles E. Stuart
Josiah Sutherland
Benjamin B. Thurston
Norton S. Townshend
Amos Tuck
Abraham W. Venable
Henry S. Walbridge
Israel Washburn, jr.
Albert G. Watkins
John Wells
Alexander White
John A. Wilcox
Joseph A. Woodward
Richard Yates.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Thomas H. Bayly
George H. Busby
Elijah W. Chastain
Alexander Harper
Alexander R. Holladay
Robert W. Johnson
J. Aristide Landry
James Meacham

Mr. Richard K. Meade
John S. Millson
Ahiman L. Miner
Eben Newton
Rodman M. Price
Frederick P. Stanton
Richard H. Stanton
Thaddeus Stevens

Mr. Charles Sweetser
John L. Taylor
Robert Toombs
William T. Ward
John Welch
Addison White
Christopher H. Williams.

So the said bill was passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Mr. Preston King moved that the vote by which the said bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Benjamin Stanton, by unanimous consent, presented copies of certain official records relating to the case of the legal representatives of John H. Piatt; which were committed to the Committee of the Whole House.

Mr. Bowie moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House ;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

The House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union ; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Origen S. Seymour reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the special order, viz : H. R. 341. "A bill to suppress the circulation of small notes as a currency in the District of Columbia," had come to no resolution thereon.

Mr. Henn, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, bills of the following titles, viz :

H. R. 243. An act to surrender to the State of Ohio the unfinished portion of the Cumberland road, in said State ;

H. R. 329. An act making an appropriation for the payment of navy pensions for the year ending June 30, 1854 ;

H. R. 330. An act making appropriations for the payment of invalid and other pensions of the United States for the year ending June 30, 1854 ;

H. R. 198. An act for the relief of the heirs or legal representatives of Joseph Arnow, deceased ; when

The Speaker signed the same.

The Speaker, by unanimous consent, laid before the House sundry executive communications, viz :

I. A letter from the Comptroller of the Treasury, transmitting statements of accounts due more than three years ; also, the names of officers whose accounts for advances made have not been settled, &c. ; which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs, and ordered to be printed.

II. A letter from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting the annual reports of the surveyors general of California and Oregon ; which was laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

III. A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting a statement of the contingent expenses of the military establishment ; which was laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

IV. A letter from the Secretary of the Navy, submitting a report of the names of all the midshipmen in the navy, the district and State whence each one comes, &c. ; which was laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

V. A letter from the Secretary of the Navy, transmitting a list of the clerks and other persons employed in the Navy Department ; which was laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

VI. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a letter from the Secretary of the Interior, with an estimate for a deficiency in the appropriation for the repairs of the Congressional Library ; which was referred to the Committee of Ways and Means, and ordered to be printed.

The Speaker also laid before the House a letter from the Clerk of

the House of Representatives, transmitting a list of the regular clerks and other persons employed in his office; which was laid on his table, and ordered to be printed.

Also, a letter from the Secretary of the Territory of Minnesota, transmitting copies of the revised statutes and session laws of said Territory; which were referred to the Committee on Territories.

Mr. Thompson Campbell moved that when the House adjourns, it adjourn until Monday next; which motion was disagreed to.

And then,

On motion of Mr. Dean,

At 3 o'clock and 45 minutes p. m., the House adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 16, 1853.

The following petitions were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Tuck: The petition of Robert Ham, an invalid of the war of 1812, praying for a pension;

Also, the petition of Samuel Elwell, a navy pensioner, praying to be paid his regular pension, which has been withheld on account of no appropriation during the last year.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. Russell: The petition of Sidney J. Loop, a soldier in the late war with Mexico, praying for a grant of bounty-land; which was referred to the Committee on Private Land Claims.

By Mr. Briggs: The petition of Silas Hawes, the inventor of the carpenters' iron square, praying for relief; which was referred to the Committee of Claims.

By Mr. Averett: The petition of the board of directors of the Richmond and Danville Railroad Company, praying that the iron imported for the use of said road may be admitted free of duty; which was referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

By Mr. Ives: Nine petitions of citizens of Jefferson, Oneida, and Oswego counties, in the State of New York, praying for the construction of breakwaters in Cape Vincent harbor, in said State; which were referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. Haven gave notice, under the rule, of his intention to move for leave to introduce a bill for the relief of Brevet Major General Riley, and to enable him to have his accounts settled at the War Department.

The House proceeded, as the business first in order, to the consideration of private bills on the Speaker's table; when

H. R. 155. A bill for the relief of William H. Wells and others—heretofore reported from a committee, with amendments—was taken up, and the said amendments severally agreed to.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read a third time;

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

H. R. 168. A bill for the relief of David Myerle—heretofore reported

from a Committee of the Whole House, with a recommendation that it do not pass—was next taken up.

After debate, and pending the question on its engrossment—

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform this House of the death of the honorable William Upham, a senator from the State of Vermont, and of the proceedings of the Senate thereon.

And then he withdrew.

The said message having been read,

Mr. Miner, after a brief eulogium upon the life and public services of the deceased, submitted the following resolutions; which were read, considered, and agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That this House has heard with deep sensibility the announcement of the death of the honorable William Upham, a senator in Congress from the State of Vermont.

Resolved, That, as a testimony of respect for the memory of the deceased, the members and officers of this House will wear the usual badge of mourning for thirty days.

Resolved, That the proceedings of this House in relation to the death of the honorable William Upham be communicated to his family by the Clerk.

Resolved, That, as a further mark of respect for the memory of the deceased, this House do now adjourn.

And the House accordingly adjourned until Monday next at 12 o'clock m.

MONDAY, JANUARY 17, 1853.

The following petitions and other papers were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Hendricks: The petition of citizens of Shelby county, in the State of Indiana, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Freeport to Pleasantville, in said county; which was referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Kuhns: The petition of Andrew J. Carney, an invalid of the war with Mexico, praying for a pension;

Also, the petition of Mrs. Margaret Allen, widow of Peter Allen, deceased, a soldier of the revolution, praying for a pension.

By Mr. Bartlett: The petition of Samuel Russell, an invalid pensioner, praying for arrears of pension.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. Price: The petition of the heirs and legal representatives of Major Samuel Reading, of the New Jersey continental line of the revolution, praying for commutation pay.

By Mr. Letcher: Additional papers in the claim of Colonel William Aylett.

By Mr. Sabine: The petition of Aaron Brown, heir and legal representative of Jacob Brown, an officer of the revolution, praying for relief.

Ordered, That said petition and papers be referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Claims.

By Mr. Albert G. Brown: The petition of citizens of the State of Mississippi, praying for the removal of the land office from Augusta to Shieldsboro', in said State.

By Mr. Dimmick: The petition of citizens of the State of Pennsylvania, praying for a modification of the bounty-land law of 1850.

By Mr. Abercrombie: The petition of citizens of the State of Alabama, praying for the removal of the land office from Sparta to Elba, in Coffee county, in said State.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Peaslee: The petition of John Langdon—heretofore presented January 9, 1850.

By Mr. Washburn: The petition of John Pierce, Luther Pierce, Jesse Pierce, and Sally Chany, heirs and legal representatives of Luther Pierce, praying payment for services and expenses of their said father during the war of 1812; also; that a pension be granted to their mother, Martha Pierce, the widow of said Luther Pierce.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee of Claims.

By Mr. Faulkner: Five petitions of citizens of Jefferson county, in the State of Virginia, praying for an increased appropriation for the manufactory of arms at the national armories of the United States; which were referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

By Mr. Sweetser: The petition of citizens of Licking county, in the State of Ohio, praying for the adjustment of national difficulties without war; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. Bocock: The petition of John D. Hitt, bringing to the notice of Congress his invention to prevent the explosion of steam-boilers, and praying for an appropriation to test its utility; which was referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

The Speaker stated the business first in order to be the motion submitted by Mr. Outlaw, and pending when the House adjourned on Monday last, to suspend the rules so as to enable him to move that the bill of the Senate (No. 509) entitled "An act for the relief of Elizabeth Armistead," be taken from the Speaker's table.

And the question being put,

It was decided in the affirmative—two-thirds voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Outlaw accordingly submitted his aforesaid motion; which was agreed to, and the bill was read a first and second time.

Pending the question on its third reading,

Mr. Outlaw moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put; and, under the operation thereof, the bill was ordered to be read a third time.

The bill was accordingly read the third time.

Mr. Outlaw moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

The question then being on its passage,

Mr. Outlaw moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Shall the bill pass?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

So the bill was passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Outlaw moved that the vote by which the said bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Molony, the rules having been suspended for that purpose, the bill of the Senate (No. 33) entitled "An act for the relief of Mrs. E. A. McNeil, widow of the late General John McNeil," was reported from the Committee on Invalid Pensions without amendment; and The rule requiring its commitment having been suspended, the House proceeded to its consideration.

After debate, and pending the question on its third reading,

Mr. Isham G. Harris moved that the bill be laid on the table; which motion was disagreed to.

Mr. Molony moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put; and, under the operation thereof, the said bill was ordered to be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time.

The question then being on its passage,

Mr. Molony moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put;

Pending which,

Mr. George W. Jones moved that the bill be laid on the table; which motion was disagreed to.

The question was then put, Shall the bill pass?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

So the bill was passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Molony moved that the vote by which the bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Dean, by unanimous consent, and in pursuance of previous notice, introduced a bill (No. 343) "to erect at the capital of the nation an Equestrian Statue of Washington;" which was read a first and second time.

Mr. Orr moved that the rule requiring the commitment of said bill be suspended; which motion was agreed to—two-thirds voting in favor thereof.

After debate,

Mr. Dean moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put; and, under the operation thereof, the said bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time.

The question then being on its passage,

Mr. Dean moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Shall the bill pass?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

So the bill was passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Mr. Dean moved that the vote by which the said bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Albert G. Brown, by unanimous consent, the House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 291) entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act for the discontinuance of the office of surveyor general in the several districts so soon as the surveys therein can be completed; for abolishing land offices under certain circumstances, and for other purposes.'"

Ordered, That the said amendments be agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Cartter, by unanimous consent, submitted the following resolution; which was read, considered, and agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Navy communicate to this House the information called for by the following interrogatories:

1. The number and name of steamers built for the navy in each year since January, 1835; their power, tonnage, proportion of guns to the ton as actually armed, and the length of time between the commencement of each vessel and her sailing on her first cruise.

2. The actual cost of each vessel from the time of commencement till first commissioned for sea service; the number of times repaired or altered in the United States, and the cost of such repairs before proceeding to sea.

3. The number of times each steamer has undergone foreign repairs on foreign stations from accident, and the nature and cause of such accidents, as well as the cost of such repairs.

4. The actual cost of each steamer in the navy from the time of building until the year 1852, including repairs of whatever description; the actual service at sea performed by each vessel, as well as the aggregate cost of the entire steam navy, and the various experiments connected therewith, until the close of the year 1852.

5. The names of the heads of bureaus, constructors, engineers, and other persons concerned in the construction or equipment of each and every steamer in the navy.

6. The present condition of the steam-navy, including readiness for immediate service, capacity for conveying fuel, accommodating crew, and ratio of guns to tonnage.

7. The number of steamers purchased for the navy; their first cost; the amount expended to fit them for war-vessels; their power, burden, proportion of actual armament and tonnage; entire cost of repairs of all kinds to the close of the year 1852; the service performed; their present condition and fitness for service; and the names of the agents who made the purchase for the government.

On motion of Mr. Porter, by unanimous consent, the bill of the Senate (No. 477) entitled "An act to continue half-pay to certain widows and orphans," was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Pending the question on its third reading,

Mr. Porter moved the previous question; and the House refused to second the same.

The question again recurring on its third reading,

Mr. Cobb moved to amend the same, by adding at the end thereof the following, viz:

"Provided, further, That the provisions of this act be extended to the widows and orphans of officers and soldiers of the war of 1812, and the Florida war."

After debate,

Mr. Orr moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put; and, under the operation thereof, the said amendment was agreed to.

Under the further operation of the previous question, the bill was ordered to be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time.

Mr. George W. Jones moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered. After debate,

On motion of Mr. Cobb,

Ordered, That the motion to reconsider be laid on the table.

The question then recurring on the passage of the bill,

Mr. Orr moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Shall the bill pass?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the said amendment.

Mr. Orr moved that the vote by which the said bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Robert W. Johnson, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That a letter from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs to the Committee on Indian Affairs on the subject of the memorial of the chiefs, &c., of the Creek nation, be printed.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed bills of this House of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 151. An act for the relief of the heirs of William McFarland, deceased;

H. R. 171. An act for the relief of Thomas P. Dudley;

H. R. 296. An act for the relief of John J. Sykes;
severally without amendment.

The Senate have passed bills of the following titles, viz:

S. 374. An act to amend the charter of the city of Washington;

S. 488. An act for the relief of William Senna Factor;

S. 503. An act for the relief of the legal representatives of Daniel Loomis, deceased;

S. 510. An act for the relief of Asenath M. Elliot;

S. 514. An act for the relief of the legal representatives of Major Caleb Swan, deceased;

in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The President of the United States has notified the Senate that he did, on the 13th instant, approve and sign a joint resolution and bills of the following titles, viz:

S. 566. An act authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue

a new register to the ship *Prentice*, and change her name to that of *Leonie*;

S. 50. An act for the relief of Sidney S. Alcott;

S. 217. An act for the relief of William Speiden;

S. 64. A resolution for the appointment of Regents in the Smithsonian Institution;

S. 206. An act granting a pension to Mrs. Elizabeth V. Lomax;

S. 130. An act for the relief of John T. Sullivan.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Alexander H. Stephens, by unanimous consent, the resolution of the Senate (No. 38) "for surrendering the site of the old Oglethorpe barracks to the city council of Savannah, Georgia," was reported from the Committee on Military Affairs, by Mr. Gorman, without amendment.

Ordered, That the said resolution be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Mr. Alexander H. Stephens moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate with the passage of the said resolution.

Mr. Marshall moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to submit the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That a sum of \$10,000,000 be set apart, out of any funds in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, and be placed at the disposal of the President, for the purpose of enabling him, during the recess of Congress, to meet such exigencies as may arise out of those momentous subjects connected with the present state of the foreign relations of this country with the other powers of the earth, so liable, on account of their character and complexity, to present themselves from hour to hour for practical and immediate consideration.

And the question being put,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 26
Nays..... 150

Two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. William S. Ashe
James M. H. Beale
Albert G. Brown
Armistead Burt
David K. Cartter
Gilbert Dean
James Duane Doty
Thomas B. Florence
James M. Gaylord

Mr. Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Volney E. Howard
Edward C. Marshall
John C. Mason
Joseph W. McCorkle
James L. Orr
William H. Polk
George Read Riddle

Mr. Thomas Ross
Joseph Russell
John H. Savage
Richardson Scurry
Frederick P. Stanton
Richard H. Stanton
Louis St. Martin
Charles Sweetser.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
William Aiken
Charles Allen
Willis Allen
John Allison
John Appleton
William Appleton

Mr. Thomas H. Bayly
Thomas Bartlett, jr.
Hiram Bell
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibbighaus
Thomas S. Bocock
Richard I. Bowie

Mr. Samuel Brenton
George Briggs
James Brooks
George H. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable

Mr. Joseph P. Caldwell
 Lewis D. Campbell
 Thompson Campbell
 Joseph R. Chandler
 Charles Chapman
 Elijah W. Chastain
 Lincoln Clark
 Williamson R. W. Cobb
 William F. Colecock
 James L. Conger
 William Cullom
 John F. Darby
 John G. Davis
 John L. Dawson
 Milo M. Dimmick
 David T. Disney
 James H. Duncan
 Cyrus L. Dunham
 Charles Durkee
 Ben. C. Eastman
 Henry A. Edmundson
 Alexander Evans
 Presley Ewing
 Charles J. Faulkner
 Francis B. Fay
 Orlando B. Ficklin
 John D. Freeman
 Thomas J. D. Fuller
 James Gamble
 Joshua R. Giddings
 Alfred Gilmore
 Robert Goodenow
 Ben. Edwards Grey
 Galusha A. Grow
 Willard P. Hall
 Edward Hammond
 Alexander Harpet
 Sampson W. Harris
 John H. H. Haws
 Augustus P. Hascall
 Solomon G. Haven
 Thomas A. Hendricks
 Junius Hillyer

Mr. Jeremiah Horsford
 George S. Houston
 John W. Howe
 Thomas Y. How, jr.
 Colin M. Ingersoll
 Willard Ives
 Joseph W. Jackson
 Timothy Jenkins
 Andrew Johnson
 James Johnson
 John Johnson
 Robert W. Johnson
 Daniel T. Jones
 George W. Jones
 George G. King
 Preston King
 Joseph H. Kuhns
 William H. Kurtz
 J. Aristide Landry
 John Letcher
 Edward P. Little
 Daniel Mace
 Frederick S. Martin
 James X. McLanahan
 John McNair
 James Meacham
 Richard K. Meade
 John G. Miller
 John S. Millson
 Ahimias L. Miner
 Richard S. Molony
 Henry D. Moore
 John Moore
 James T. Morehead
 Charles Murphy
 William Murray
 Benjamin D. Nabers
 Eben Newton
 David Outlaw
 Andrew Parker
 Samuel W. Parker
 Alexander G. Penn
 Ebenezer J. Penniman

Mr. John S. Phelps
 Gilchrist Porter
 William Preston
 Rodman M. Price
 Isaac Reed
 William A. Richardson
 John Robbins, jr.
 Reuben Robie
 Lorenzo Sabine
 William A. Sackett
 Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
 John L. Schoolcraft
 Zeno Scudder
 David L. Seymour
 Origen S. Seymour
 Charles Skelton
 William R. Smith
 William W. Snow
 Edward Stanly
 Benjamin Stanton
 Alexander H. Stephens
 James W. Stone
 Nathan T. Stratton
 James F. Strother
 Josiah Sutherland
 John L. Taylor
 Benjamin B. Thurston
 Robert Toombs
 Norton S. Townshend
 Amos Tuck
 Abraham W. Venable
 Henry S. Walbridge
 Daniel Wallace
 Thomas Y. Walsh
 Israel Waaburn, jr.
 Albert G. Watkins
 John Welch
 John Wells
 Addison White
 John A. Wilcox
 Christopher H. Williams
 Joseph A. Woodward
 Richard Yates.

So the House refused to suspend the rules.

On motion of Mr. George G. King, by unanimous consent, the resolution of the Senate (No. 68) "explanatory of the appropriation for the improvement of the mouth of the Sekonk river, and harbor of Providence, Rhode Island," was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the said resolution be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Ives, by unanimous consent, submitted the following resolution; which was read, considered, and agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That the Secretary of War be requested to communicate to this House what survey, plan, and estimate, if any, have been made in reference to the harbor of Cape Vincent, in New York, under the direction of the War Department.

Mr. Ashe, by unanimous consent, presented resolutions of the legislature of the State of North Carolina, relative to the bar at the mouth

of Cape Fear river; which were referred to the Committee on Commerce, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Thomas J. D. Fuller moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to submit the following resolution, viz :

Resolved, That after this day, as soon as the Journal shall have been read, the Speaker shall proceed to dispose of the business upon his table, and when said business shall have been disposed of, one hour of each succeeding day next succeeding the morning hour, and for so long a time as necessary, shall be devoted exclusively to the disposition of the business on the Speaker's table during the remainder of the session; which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Houston, by unanimous consent, submitted the motion that the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union be discharged from the further consideration of the bill of the House (No. 341) "to prevent the circulation of small notes as a currency in the District of Columbia," together with the amendments agreed to in the committee; which motion was agreed to.

Pending the question on agreeing to the said amendments,

On motion of Mr. George W. Jones,

Ordered, That its further consideration be postponed until to-morrow.

Mr. Polk moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to introduce a joint resolution authorizing a payment out of the treasury to Clark Mills, as a compensation for the Equestrian Statue of General Jackson, lately executed by him; which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Polk having modified his said resolution by filling the blank therein with "fifteen thousand dollars," again moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to introduce the same.

And the question being put,

It was decided in the negative,	{ Yeas.....	96
	{ Nays.....	65

Two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
Willis Allen
John Appleton
William S. Ashe
Leander Babcock
Thomas H. Bayly
Thomas Bartlett, jr.
Hiram Bell
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibbighans
Thomas S. Bocock
John C. Breckinridge
Samuel Brenton
George Briggs
George H. Busby
Lewis D. Campbell
David K. Cartter
Joseph R. Chandler
Charles Chapman
Elijah W. Chastain
Lincoln Clark
Thomas L. Clingman

Mr. James L. Conger
William Cullom
Carlton B. Curtis
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
Gilbert Dean
David T. Disney
Charles Durkee
Ben. C. Eastman
Charles J. Faulkner
Thomas B. Florence
John D. Freeman
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James M. Gaylord
Alfred Gilmore
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Ben. Edwards Grey
Galusha A. Grow
Augustus P. Hascall
Bernhart Henn
Harry Hibbard

Mr. Thomas Y. How, jr.
Colin M. Ingersoll
James Johnson
John Johnson
William H. Kurtz
J. Aristide Landry
Edward P. Little
James Lockhart
Daniel Mace
James X. McLanahan
John McNair
John S. Millson
Richard S. Molony
Henry D. Moore
John Moore
William Murray
Benjamin D. Nabers
Edson B. Olds
James L. Orr
Andrew Parker
Samuel W. Parker
Charles H. Peaslee

Mr. Alexander G. Penn	Mr. John L. Schoolcraft	Mr. Charles Sweetser
William H. Polk	David L. Seymour	Benjamin B. Thurston
Rodman M. Price	Origen S. Seymour	Norton S. Townshend
William A. Richardson	Charles Skelton	Abraham W. Venable
George Read Riddle	Frederick P. Stanton	Henry S. Walbridge
John Robbins, jr.	Louis St. Martin	Thomas Y. Walsh
Reuben Robie	Nathan T. Stratton	John Wells
Joseph Russell	James F. Strother	John A. Wilcox
John H. Savage	Charles E. Stuart	Christopher H. Williams
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn	Josiah Sutherland	Richard Yates.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. William Aiken	Mr. Edward Hammond	Mr. Eben Newton
Charles Allen	Isham G. Harris	David Outlaw
John Allison	Sampson W. Harris	Ebenezer J. Penniman
William Appleton	John H. H. Haws	William Preston
Thomas H. Averett	Thomas A. Hendricks	Isaac Reed
James M. H. Beale	Jerediah Horsford	Thomas Ross
Richard I. Bowie	George S. Houston	William A. Sackett
John Bragg	Volney E. Howard	Zeno Scudder
James Brooks	John W. Howe	Richardson Scurry
Lorenzo Burrows	Willard Ives	William R. Smith
Joseph P. Caldwell	Andrew Johnson	Edward Stanly
Williamson R. W. Cobb	Daniel T. Jones	Benjamin Stanton
John G. Davis	George W. Jones	Alexander H. Stephens
James Duane Doty	Preston King	John L. Taylor
James H. Duncan	Joseph H. Kuhns	Robert Toombs
Cyrus L. Dunham	John Letcher	Amos Tuck
Alexander Evans	Frederick S. Martin	Daniel Wallace
Francis B. Fay	Fayette McMullen	Israel Washburn, jr.
James Gamble	James Meacham	Albert G. Watkins
Joshua R. Giddings	John G. Miller	John Welch
Robert Goodenow	James T. Morehead	Joseph A. Woodward.
Willard P. Hall	Charles Murphy	

So the House refused to suspend the rules.

Mr. Savage moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move that the Committee of the Whole House be discharged from the further consideration of the bill of the Senate (No. 276) "for the relief of Colonel James R. Creecy;" which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Bell moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to introduce a bill "making further provisions for and granting bounty-land to those who have been engaged in the wars and service of the United States;"

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. D. Fuller,

At 3 o'clock and 5 minutes p. m., the House adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock m.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 1853.

The following petitions, memorial, and other papers were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Andrew Johnson: The petition of citizens of the State of Tennessee, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Jonesboro' to Gott's Cross Roads, in said State;

Also, the petition of a citizen of the State of Tennessee, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from James's Cross Roads to New Canton, in said State.

By Mr. Mason: The petition of a citizen of the State of Kentucky, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Star Furnace, in said State, to Ironton, in the State of Ohio.

By Mr. Dockery: The petition of citizens of the State of North Carolina, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Gourd Vine to Clear creek, in said State.

By Mr. Letcher: The petition of H. Risk, the postmaster at Fairfield, in the State of Virginia, praying to be relieved of the payment of a certain sum of money therein specified as due to the Post Office Department.

By Mr. Bennett: The petition of G. W. Bartle and J. Slater, praying for compensation for carrying the mail from South Bainbridge to Oxford, in the State of New York.

By Mr. Gaylord: The petition of citizens of the State of Ohio, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Barlow Cross Roads to Centre Belpre, on the Ohio river.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Breckinridge: The petition of citizens of the State of Kentucky, praying that Daniel Plough, a soldier of the revolution, be granted a pension; which was referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions.

By Mr. Harper: Additional papers in the claim of Mary Young, heir and legal representative of William Leggett; which were referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Claims.

By Mr. Abercrombie: The petition of citizens of the State of Alabama, praying for the removal of the land office from Sparta to Elba, in Coffee county, in said State.

By Mr. Miller: The memorial of the legislature of the State of Missouri, praying for a grant of land to aid in the construction of the Canton and Bloomington railroad, in said State.

By Mr. Doty: The petition of citizens of Wisconsin, praying for a grant of land to aid in the construction of the Green Bay, Milwaukee, and Chicago railroad.

By Mr. Bibighaus: The petition of citizens of the State of Pennsylvania, praying for an extension of the provisions of the bounty-land law of 1850.

Ordered, That said petition and memorials be referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Eastman: The petition of James Morrison, Augustus Allen, and others, sureties of George R. C. Floyd, late Secretary of the Territory of Wisconsin, praying for authority to the accounting officers to settle the accounts of said officers; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Averett: The petition of citizens of Washington city, praying for the rebuilding of the Long Bridge across the Potomac at its present site; which was referred to the Committee for the District of Columbia.

By Mr. Albert G. Brown: The petition of Alexander Lee, praying for compensation for losses sustained by him in the construction of the

light-house at Chandler island, on the coast of the State of Mississippi; which was referred to the Committee of Claims.

By Mr. Stanly: The petition of Woodford and Fayette counties, in the State of Kentucky, praying for the payment to the States of the fourth instalment of surplus revenue, under the act of June, 1836; which was referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

By Mr. Brooks: The petition of Samuel G. Davis and David Bebell, praying for authority to change the name of the propeller "Ontario" to that of "Carrier Pigeon;" which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

A message, in writing, was received from the President of the United States, by Millard P. Fillmore, his private secretary; which was handed in at the Speaker's table.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickinson, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a bill of this House (No. 301) entitled "An act for the relief of Philo Smith," without amendment.

The Senate have agreed to the amendment of this House to the bill of the Senate (No. 477) entitled "An act to continue half-pay to certain widows and orphans," with an amendment; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Henn, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, bills and joint resolutions of the following titles, viz:

S. 33. An act for the relief of Mrs. E. A. McNeil, widow of the late General John McNeil;

S. 38. Joint resolution for surrendering the site of the old Oglethorpe barracks to the city council of Savannah, Georgia;

S. 68. Joint resolution explanatory of the appropriation for the improvement of the mouth of the Sekonk river, and harbor of Providence, Rhode Island;

S. 509. An act for the relief of Elizabeth Armistead; when

The Speaker signed the same.

Mr. Henn, from the same committee, reported that the committee did, on the 15th instant, present to the President of the United States bills of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 243. An act to surrender to the State of Ohio the unfinished portion of the Cumberland road in said State;

H. R. 329. An act making an appropriation for the payment of navy pensions for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854;

H. R. 330. An act making appropriations for the payment of invalid and other pensions of the United States for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854;

H. R. 198. An act for the relief of the heirs or legal representatives of Joseph Arnow, deceased.

The Speaker having announced, as the business first in order, the calling of committees for reports,

Mr. Stuart called up the motion—heretofore submitted by Mr. George T. Davis—to reconsider the vote by which the following resolution, reported from the Committee of Elections, was disagreed to, viz:

Resolved, That there be paid to John Taliaferro, of Virginia, the

same compensation per diem and mileage that was allowed to members of Congress under the then existing law, from the commencement of the first session of the 13th Congress to and including the 2d of August, 1813; and the like compensation per diem and mileage, computing the per diem from the commencement of the second session of the 13th Congress to and including February 17, 1814.

After debate,

Mr. Stuart moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; And the question being put,

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas 86
Nays 71

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
Willis Allen
Thomas H. Averett
Thomas Bartlett, jr
James M. H. Beale
John Bragg
George Briggs
Armistead Burt
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
Joseph P. Caldwell
Thompson Campbell
David K. Cartter
Elijah W. Chastain
Lincoln Clark
Sherrard Clemens
Williamson R. W. Cobb
James L. Conger
William Cullom
Carlton B. Curtis
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick
Cyrus L. Dunham
Ben. C. Eastman
Alfred P. Edgerton
Henry A. Edmundson
Charles J. Faulkner

Mr. Orlando B. Ficklin
James M. Gaylord
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
William T. Hamilton
Isham G. Harris
Solomon G. Haven
Thomas A. Hendricks
Harry Hibbard
Jerediah Horsford
George S. Houston
Volney E. Howard
Willard Ives
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
James Johnson
John Johnson
Robert W. Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George W. Jones
Preston King
William H. Kurtz
John Letcher
James Lockhart
James X. McLanahan
Fayette McMullen
Richard K. Meade
John S. Millson
Richard S. Molony

Mr. James T. Morehead
Charles Murphy
William Murray
Benjamin D. Nabers
James L. Orr
Charles H. Peaslee
Alexander G. Penn
Ebenezer J. Penniman
John S. Phelps
William H. Polk
William A. Richardson
John Robbins, jr.
Reuben Robie
John L. Robinson
Joseph Russell
Richardson Scurry
Charles Skelton
William R. Smith
William W. Snow
Nathan T. Stratton
Charles E. Stuart
Charles Sweetser
Benjamin B. Thurston
Norton S. Townshend
Abraham W. Venable
John A. Wilcox
Isaac Wildrick
Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
Thomas H. Bayly
Nelson Barrere
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibbhaug
Samuel Brenton
Albert G. Brown
George H. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
Lewis D. Campbell
John S. Caskie
Charles Chapman
Joseph S. Cottman
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
David T. Disney
Alfred Dockery
James Duane Doty

Mr. Alexander Evans
Francis B. Fay
Thomas B. Florence
Thomas J. D. Fuller
Joshua E. Giddings
Alfred Gilmore
Edward Hammond
Alexander Harper
Sampson W. Harris
John H. H. Haws
Augustus P. Hascall
Bernhart Henn
John W. Howe
Thomas Y. How, jr.
Colin M. Ingersoll
Joseph W. Jackson
George G. King
Joseph H. Kuhns

Mr. J. Aristide Landry
Edward P. Little
Horace Mann
Edward C. Marshall
Frederick S. Martin
John McNair
James Meacham
John G. Miller
Ahiman L. Miner
Henry D. Moore
John Moore
Eben Newton
David Outlaw
Andrew Parker
Samuel W. Parker
Gilchrist Porter
Rodman M. Price
William A. Sackett

Mr. John L. Schoecraft
David L. Seymour
Origen S. Seymour
Edward Stanly
Benjamin Stanton
Alexander H. Stephens

Mr. James F. Strother
Josiah Sutherland
John L. Taylor
Amos Tuck
Henry S. Walbridge
Thomas Y. Walsh

Mr. William T. Ward
Israel Washburn, jr.
Albert G. Watkins
John Welch
Christopher H. Williams.

So the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Mr. Houston, from the Committee of Ways and Means, reported the following resolution; which was read, considered, and agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That the Committee of Ways and Means be authorized to employ a clerk for the present session, at the usual rate of compensation, to commence with the session.

Mr. Brooks, from the Committee of Ways and Means, reported a bill (No. 344) "to establish a branch of the mint of the United States in the city of New York;" which was read a first time; and opposition being made to it by Mr. Chandler, the Speaker stated the question to be on the rejection of the bill;

Pending which, the morning hour having expired,

The House proceeded to the consideration of the special order, viz: the bill of the House (No. 341) "to suppress the circulation of small notes, as a currency, in the District of Columbia;" the pending question being on the amendments thereto adopted by the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

After debate,

Mr. Ficklin moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put.

The question was then put, Will the House agree to the first amendment?

No quorum voting thereon, Mr. Alexander H. Stephens demanded the yeas and nays.

The Speaker decided that, it appearing that a quorum was not present, it was not competent for less than that number to vote upon a demand for the yeas and nays upon a question which could only be decided by the votes of a quorum. Upon a motion to adjourn, or for a call of the House, he would hold otherwise, as the constitution authorizes less than a quorum to decide those questions. Inasmuch as the constitution requires a majority of the members to be present in order to do business, he was clearly of the opinion that the clause conferring the authority upon "one-fifth of the members present" to order the yeas and nays, contemplates the presence of such a majority in a case like the present.

From this decision of the Chair Mr. Alexander H. Stephens appealed;

Pending which,

Mr. Gorman moved that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The Speaker stated that the vote just taken having disclosed the fact that a quorum was present, it was now competent for the House to entertain the demand for the yeas and nays; and that the appeal consequently fell.

From this decision of the Chair Mr. Alexander H. Stephens appealed;

Pending which,

Mr. Cartter moved that the appeal be laid on the table;
And the question being put, no quorum voted.

Mr. Hart moved, at 2 o'clock and 25 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn;

And the question being put,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 31
Nays..... 122

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
James M. H. Beale
Samuel Brenton
George H. Brown
George H. Busby
Joseph S. Cottmann
William Cullom
Alfred Dockery
Ben. C. Eastman
Presley Ewing
Willia A. Gorman

Mr. Emanuel B. Hart
Solomon G. Haven
James Johnson
Robert W. Johnson
William H. Kurtz
John Letcher
Horace Mann
Frederick S. Martin
Fayette McMullen
James Meacham

Mr. James T. Morehead
William A. Richardson
George Read Riddle
Richardson Scurry
Richard H. Stanton
Louis St. Martin
Robert Toombs
Abraham W. Venable
Thomas Y. Walsh
William T. Ward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. William Aiken
Willis Allen
John Allison
William Appleton
Thomas H. Averett
Leander Babcock
Thomas H. Bayly
Nelson Barrere
Thomas Bartlett, jr
Hiram Bell
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibighaus
Richard I. Bowie
George Briggs
Albert G. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
Armistead Burt
Joseph P. Caldwell
Thompson Campbell
John S. Caakie
Charles Chapman
Eljah W. Chastain
Lincoln Clark
Sherrard Clemens
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
John F. Darby
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick
James Duane Doty
Cyrus L. Dunham
Charles Durkee
Alfred P. Edgerton
Alexander Evans
Francis B. Fay
Orlando B. Ficklin
Thomas B. Florence
John D. Freeman
Thomas J. D. Fuller

Mr. James Gamble
James M. Gaylord
Alfred Gilmore
Frederick W. Green
Ben. Edwards Grey
Willard P. Hall
Edward Hammond
Alexander Harper
Isham G. Harris
John H. H. Haws
Augustus P. Hascall
Thomas A. Hendricks
Bernhart Henn
Harry Hibbard
Jerediah Horsford
George S. Houston
Volney E. Howard
John W. Howe
Thomas Y. How, jr.
Colin M. Ingersoll
Willard Ives
Joseph W. Jackson
Andrew Johnson
George W. Jones
George G. King
Preston King
J. Aristide Landry
Edward P. Little
James Lockhart
James X. McLanahan
John McNair
Richard K. Meade
John G. Miller
John S. Millson
Ahiman L. Miner
Richard S. Molony
Henry D. Moore
John Moore
Charles Murphy
William Murray
Benjamin D. Nabers

Mr. Eben Newton
Edson B. Olds
James L. Orr
David Outlaw
Andrew Parker
Samuel W. Parker
Charles H. Peaslee
Alexander G. Penn
Ebenezer J. Penniman
John S. Phelps
William H. Polk
Gilchrist Porter
Isaac Reed
John Robbins, jr.
Reuben Robie
John L. Robinson
Thomas Ross
Joseph Russell
John H. Savage
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
John L. Schoolcraft
Origen S. Seymour
Charles Skelton
William R. Smith
Edward Stanly
Benjamin Stanton
Nathan T. Stratton
James F. Strother
Charles E. Stuart
Josiah Sutherland
Charles Sweetser
John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston
Norton S. Townshend
Amos Tuck
Henry S. Walbridge
Albert G. Watkins
John Welch
John Wells
Isaac Wildrick.

So the House refused to adjourn.

The question again recurred on the motion of Mr. Cartter to lay the appeal on the table;

And being put, it was decided in the affirmative.

So the decision of the Chair was sustained.

The question again recurred on agreeing to the first amendment; which was read, and is as follows, viz:

Strike out the first section after the enacting clause, and insert:

“That, if any person or persons, body-politic or corporate, within the District of Columbia, shall, from and after the passage of this act, make, sign, draw, endorse, emit, or issue any note, bill of exchange, bill of credit, order, ticket, promise, agreement, or any other instrument of writing, in a less amount or of a less denomination than five dollars, or for the payment or delivery of money, notes, or other valuable thing, or of anything purporting to be a valuable thing, of a less amount or denomination than five dollars, or purporting or evidencing, or intended to purport or evidence, that any sum less than five dollars will be paid in money, notes, or other thing, to any person receiving or holding such notes, bill of exchange, or other instrument of writing above mentioned, or that it will be received in payment of any debt or dues, with the intention to create or put into circulation a paper currency, either as money or in lieu of money, every such person, and every member, officer, or agent of any such body-politic or corporate, directly or indirectly engaged and concerned in or assenting to such making, signing, drawing, endorsing, emitting, or issuing as aforesaid, for any of the purposes aforesaid, shall be liable to indictment by the grand jury of the District of Columbia for a misdemeanor; and, on conviction, they shall be imprisoned for a term not less than ten days nor more than one year, and fined in a sum not less than fifty nor more than five hundred dollars; and on the trial of any such indictment, if the note, bill, order, ticket, or other instrument in question be, in part or in the whole, printed or engraven, it shall be deemed sufficient evidence of an intention to put the same into circulation in violation of this act, unless the contrary be plainly shown.”

And the question being put, Will the House agree thereto?

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 121
Nays..... 31

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. William Aiken
Charles Allen
Willis Allen
John Allison
William Appleton
Leander Babcock
Thomas H. Bayly
Nelson Barrere
Thomas Bartlett, jr.
James M. H. Beale
Thomas M. Bibbighaus
Richard I. Bowie
Samuel Brenton
Lorenzo Burrows
Armistead Burt

Mr. George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
Joseph P. Caldwell
Thompson Campbell
John S. Caskie
Joseph R. Chandler
Charles Chapman
Elijah W. Chastain
Lincoln Clark
Williamson R. W. Cobb
Joseph S. Cottman
Carlton B. Curtis
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
John G. Davis

Mr. John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick
David T. Disney
Alfred Dockery
James Duane Doty
Ben. C. Eastman
Alfred P. Edgerton
Henry A. Edmondson
Alexander Evans
Charles J. Faulkner
Francis B. Fay
Thomas B. Florence
John D. Freeman
James Gamble

Mr. Cartter moved that the appeal be laid on the table;

And the question being put, no quorum voted.

Mr. Hart moved, at 2 o'clock and 25 minutes p. m., that the H adjourn;

And the question being put,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas.....
Nays.....

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members pre

Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
James M. H. Beale
Samuel Brenton
George H. Brown
George H. Busby
Joseph S. Cottmann
William Cullom
Alfred Dockery
Ben. C. Eastman
Presley Ewing
Willia A. Gorman

Mr. Emanuel B. Hart
Solomon G. Haven
James Johnson
Robert W. Johnson
William H. Kurtz
John Letcher
Horace Mann
Frederick S. Martin
Fayette McMullen
James Meacham

Mr. James T. Morehead
William A. Richard
George Read Ridd
Richardson Scurry
Richard H. Stanto
Louis St. Martin
Robert Toombs
Abraham W. Ven
Thomas Y. Walsh
William T. Ward

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. William Aiken
Willis Allen
John Allison
William Appleton
Thomas H. Averett
Leander Babcock
Thomas H. Bayly
Nelson Barrere
Thomas Bartlett, jr
Hiram Bell
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibighaus
Richard I. Bowie
George Briggs
Albert G. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
Armistead Burt
Joseph P. Caldwell
Thompson Campbell
John S. Caskie
Charles Chapman
Elijah W. Chastain
Lincoln Clark
Sherrard Clemens
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
John F. Darby
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick
James Duane Doty
Cyrus L. Dunham
Charles Durkee
Alfred P. Edgerton
Alexander Evans
Francis B. Fay
Orlando B. Ficklin
Thomas B. Florence
John D. Freeman
Thomas J. D. Fuller

Mr. James Gamble
James M. Gaylord
Alfred Gilmore
Frederick W. Green
Ben. Edwards Grey
Willard P. Hall
Edward Hammond
Alexander Harper
Isham G. Harris
John H. H. Haws
Augustus P. Hascall
Thomas A. Hendricks
Bernhart Henn
Harry Hibbard
Jerediah Horsford
George S. Houston
Volney E. Howard
John W. Howe
Thomas Y. How, jr.
Colin M. Ingersoll
Willard Ives
Joseph W. Jackson
Andrew Johnson
George W. Jones
George G. King
Preston King
J. Aristide Landry
Edward P. Little
James Lockhart
James X. McLanahan
John McNair
Richard K. Meade
John G. Miller
John S. Millson
Ahiman L. Miner
Richard S. Molony
Henry D. Moore
John Moore
Charles Murphy
William Murray
Benjamin D. Nabers

Mr. Eben Newton
Edson B. Olds
James L. Orr
David Outlaw
Andrew Parker
Samuel W. Pa
Charles H. Pe
Alexander G.
Ebenezer J. I
John S. Phelp
William H. I
Gilchrist Por
Isaac Reed
John Robbin
Reuben Rob
John L. Rol
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John H. Sa
Abr'm M. S
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Origen S. S
Charles S
William R
Edward S
Benjamin
Nathan T
James F
Charles I
Josiah S.
Charles S
John L.
Benjamin
Norton
Amos T
Henry
Albert
John W
John W
Isaac

Mr. Joshua R. Giddings
 Alfred Gilmore
 Robert Goodenow
 Willis A. Gorman
 Frederick W. Green
 Ben. Edwards Grey
 Alexander Harper
 Isham G. Harris
 Emanuel B. Hart
 John H. H. Haws
 Thomas A. Hendricks
 Jerediah Horsford
 George S. Houston
 Volney E. Howard
 John W. Howe
 Thomas Y. How, jr.
 Colin M. Ingersoll
 Joseph W. Jackson
 James Johnson
 George G. King
 Edward P. Little
 James Lockhart
 Horace Mann
 John C. Mason
 James X. McLanahan
 Fayette McMullen

Mr. John McNair
 Richard K. Meade
 John G. Miller
 John S. Millson
 Henry D. Moore
 John Moore
 James T. Morehead
 Charles Murphy
 William Murray
 Benjamin D. Nabers
 Eben Newton
 Edson B. Olds
 David Outlaw
 Andrew Parker
 Samuel W. Parker
 Alexander G. Penn
 Ebenezer J. Penniman
 William H. Polk
 Gilchrist Porter
 Isaac Reed
 George Read Riddle
 Reuben Robie
 Thomas Ross
 Joseph Russell
 William A. Sackett

Mr. John H. Savage
 Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
 John L. Schoolcraft
 David L. Seymour
 Origen S. Seymour
 Charles Skelton
 William R. Smith
 William W. Snow
 Edward Stanly
 Benjamin Stanton
 Nathan T. Stratton
 Charles E. Stuart
 John L. Taylor
 Benjamin B. Thurston
 Norton S. Townshend
 Amos Tuck
 Henry S. Walbridge
 Thomas Y. Walsh
 Israel Washburn, jr.
 Albert G. Watkins
 John Welch
 John Wells
 John A. Wilcox
 Isaac Wildrick
 Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
 Thomas H. Averett
 George Briggs
 Albert G. Brown
 Lewis D. Campbell
 David K. Cartter
 Sherrard Clemens
 Thomas L. Clingman
 Cyrus L. Dunham
 Charles Durkee
 Orlando B. Ficklin

Mr. Thomas J. D. Fuller
 Willard P. Hall
 Edward Hammond
 Solomon G. Haven
 Bernhart Henn
 Daniel T. Jones
 George W. Jones
 Preston King
 Frederick S. Martin
 Richard S. Molony

Mr. James L. Orr
 Charles H. Peaselee
 John S. Phelps
 John Robbins, jr.
 Richardson Scurry
 Louis St. Martin
 Josiah Sutherland
 Charles Sweetser
 Robert Toombs
 William T. Ward.

So the *first* amendment was agreed to.

Pending the question on agreeing to the second amendment,

Mr. Sweetser moved that the bill be laid on the table;

Pending which,

Mr. Meade moved, at 3 o'clock and 2 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurred on the motion of Mr. Sweetser;

And being put,

It was decided in the negative.

Mr. Hall moved that the vote by which the first amendment was agreed to be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

The question then recurred on the *second* amendment;

And being put,

It was decided in the affirmative.

Pending the question on agreeing to the *third* amendment,

Mr. Allison moved, at 3 o'clock and 5 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurred on the *third* amendment;

And being put,

It was decided in the affirmative.

All the amendments pending to the said bill having been disposed of,
The Speaker stated the question to be on its engrossment and third reading;

Pending which,

Mr. John W. Howe moved that the bill be laid on the table;

Pending which,

Mr. Stuart moved that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurred on the motion of Mr. Howe;

And being put,

It was decided in the negative.

The question again recurred on the engrossment of the bill;

Pending which,

Mr. Lewis D. Campbell moved, at 3 o'clock and 27 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question again recurring on the engrossment of the bill,

It was ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time.

The question then being on the passage of the bill,

Mr. Houston moved the previous question;

Pending which,

Mr. Stuart moved that the vote by which the bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, be reconsidered;

Pending which,

Mr. John W. Howe moved, at 3 o'clock and 29 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurring on the demand for the previous question, it was seconded.

Pending the question on ordering the main question to be put,

Mr. Isham G. Harris moved, at 3 o'clock and 40 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurring on ordering the main question, it was ordered to be put.

The question then recurring on the motion of Mr. Stuart to reconsider,

On motion of Mr. Orr, the said motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The question again recurring on the passage of the bill,

Mr. Lewis D. Campbell moved that the bill be laid on the table; which motion was disagreed to.

The question again recurring on its passage,

Mr. Sackett moved, at 3 o'clock and 43 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question again recurring on its passage, the yeas and nays were ordered thereon.

Mr. Goodenow moved, at 3 o'clock and 44 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question was then put, Shall the bill pass?

And it was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 82
Nays..... 38

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present
Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. William Aiken
Charles Allen
Willis Allen
William Appleton
William S. Ashe
Thomas H. Averett
Leander Babcock
Nelson Barrere
James M. H. Beale
Richard I. Bowie
John C. Breckinridge
Albert G. Brown
Armistead Burt
Joseph P. Caldwell
Thompson Campbell
Elijah W. Chastain
Lincoln Clark
Sherrard Clemens
William F. Colcock
Joseph S. Cottman
John F. Darby
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Milo M. Dimmick
David T. Disney
Alfred Dockery
James Duane Doty
Ben. C. Eastman

Mr. Alfred P. Edgerton
Francis B. Fay
Orlando B. Ficklin
Thomas B. Florence
John D. Freeman
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James M. Gaylord
Joshua R. Giddings
Alfred Gilmore
Robert Goodenow
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Willard P. Hall
Alexander Harper
Isham G. Harris
Sampson W. Harris
Emanuel B. Hart
Augustus P. Hascall
Thomas A. Hendricks
Bernhart Henn
Harry Hibbard
Jerediah Horsford
George S. Houston
Willard Ives
Joseph W. Jackson
Andrew Johnson
Daniel T. Jones

Mr. Preston King
John Letcher
John C. Mason
James X. McLanahan
Fayette McMullen
John McNair
Henry D. Moore
James T. Morehead
William Murray
James L. Orr
David Outlaw
Andrew Parker
Charles H. Peaslee
Alexander G. Penn
John S. Phelps
John Robbins, jr.
Thomas Ross
Lorenzo Sabine
David L. Seymour
Origen S. Seymour
Charles Skelton
Edward Stanly
Benjamin Stanton
Nathan T. Stratton
Norton S. Townshend
Isaac Wildrick
Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Thomas M. Bibbighaus
Thomas S. Bocock
Samuel Brenton
Lorenzo Burrows
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
Lewis D. Campbell
Charles Chapman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
Gilbert Dean
Cyrus L. Dunham
Charles Durkee
Alexander Evans

Mr. John H. H. Haws
Solomon G. Haven
John W. Howe
Thomas Y. How, jr.
George G. King
Edward P. Little
Horace Mann
John G. Miller
John S. Millson
Richard S. Molony
Eben Newton
Samuel W. Parker
Ebenezer J. Penniman

Mr. William A. Sackett
John L. Schoolcraft
Richardson Scurry
Josiah Sutherland
John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston
Henry S. Walbridge
Thomas Y. Walsh
Israel Washburn, jr.
Albert G. Watkins
John Welch
Addison White.

So the bill was passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Mr. Hall moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

And then,

On motion of Mr. Orr,

At 4 o'clock and 5 minutes p. m., the House adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock m.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19, 1853.

The following petitions, resolutions, and other papers were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Reed: The petition of Elijah Fry, praying for arrears of pension; which was referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. John G. Davis: Three petitions of citizens of the State of Indiana, praying for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a railroad from Indianapolis, in said State, to Springfield, in the State of Illinois.

By Mr. Albert G. Brown: The petition of citizens of the State of Mississippi, praying for the removal of the land office from Augusta to Shieldsborough, in said State.

By Mr. Sackett: The concurrent resolutions of the legislature of the State of New York, on the subject of the distribution of the public lands among the several States.

Ordered, That said petitions and resolutions be referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. John Moore: The petitions of Alexander D. Peck, and Edna Peck, his wife; Hannibal Faulk, and the heirs and legal representatives of Benjamin Scriber; and of Hannibal Faulk, Alexander D. Peck, and the mayor of the city of New Orleans, praying to be confirmed in their title to lands in the Baron de Bastrop grant, in the State of Louisiana; which were referred to the Committee on Private Land Claims.

By Mr. Eastman: The petition of Sarah Parris, widow of Albert W. Parris, praying that the money due her husband from the United States be paid to her; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Riddle: The petition of citizens of New Castle county, in the State of Delaware, remonstrating against conferring the rank of lieutenant general upon Winfield Scott; which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Brooks: The petition of John Millar, praying to be granted a register to a ship of seven hundred and fifty tons, named the "Resolute;" which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. Florence: The petition of F. W. Moores and others, masters in the navy, not in the line of promotion, praying for increase of compensation; which was referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

A message, in writing, was received from the President of the United States, by Millard P. Fillmore, his private secretary; which was handed in at the Speaker's table.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed bills of this House of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 202. An act for the relief of the widow and orphan children of Colonel William R. McKee, late of Lexington, Kentucky;

H. R. 343. An act to erect at the capital of the nation an Equestrian Statue of Washington;
severally without amendment.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Albert G. Brown, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That the Committee on Private Land Claims be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of the trustees of Monticello Academy, in the State of Mississippi, praying to be refunded a certain amount of money, with interest, for which the United States improperly sold a sixteenth section of land belonging to said academy; and that the same be referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

On motion of Mr. Kuhns, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That leave be granted for the withdrawal from the files of the House of the papers in the case of Mrs. Elizabeth Drum, widow of Captain Drum, of the United States army, for the purpose of reference to one of the executive departments.

The said papers were thereupon handed to Mr. Kuhns.

The Speaker having announced, as the business first in order, the calling of committees for reports, and, as the pending business in that class, the bill of the House (No. 344) "to establish a branch of the mint of the United States in the city of New York"—reported on yesterday from the Committee of Ways and Means, and read a first time, at which stage opposition was made thereto, and the pending question, when the House passed from its consideration, being, Shall the bill be rejected?—the House proceeded to the consideration of the same.

Mr. Chandler having risen for the purpose of debate,

Mr. Sweetser made the point of order that debate was not in order on the question of the rejection of the bill.

The Speaker decided that, under the usage of the House in similar cases, debate was allowable.

From this decision of the Chair Mr. Sweetser appealed;

And the question being put, Shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the House?

It was decided in the affirmative.

So the decision of the Chair was sustained.

Pending the discussion of the question of the rejection of the said bill,

The morning hour having expired,

Mr. Stuart moved that the House proceed to the consideration of the business on the Speaker's table;

Pending which,

The Speaker, by unanimous consent, laid before the House the following messages heretofore received from the President of the United States, viz:

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States:

I have the honor, herewith, to transmit a report from the Secretary of the Interior, from which it appears that the efforts of that department to induce the Indians remaining in Florida to migrate to the country assigned to their tribe, west of the Mississippi, have been entirely unsuccessful. The only alternative that now remains is, either to compel them by force to comply with the treaty made with the tribe in May, 1832, by which they agreed to migrate within three years from that date, or allow the arrangement made with them in 1842, referred to in the Secretary's report, by which they were permitted to remain in

the temporary occupancy of a portion of the peninsula until the government should see fit to remove them, to continue.

It cannot be denied that the withholding so large a portion of her territory from settlement is a source of injury to the State of Florida; and although, ever since the arrangement above referred to, the Indians have manifested a desire to remain at peace with the whites, the presence of a people who may at any time, and upon any real or fancied provocation, be driven to acts of hostility, is a source of constant anxiety and alarm to the inhabitants of that border.

There can be no doubt, also, that the welfare of the Indians would be promoted by their removal from a territory where frequent collisions between them and their more powerful neighbors are daily becoming more inevitable.

On the other hand, there is every reason to believe that any manifestation of a design to remove them by force, or to take possession of the territory allotted to them, would be immediately retaliated by acts of cruelty on the defenceless inhabitants.

The number of Indians now remaining in the State is, it is true, very inconsiderable, (not exceeding, it is believed, five hundred;) but, owing to the extent of the country occupied by them, and its adaptation to their peculiar mode of warfare, a force very disproportioned to their numbers would be necessary to capture them, or even to protect the white settlements from their incursions. The military force now stationed in that State would be inadequate to these objects; and if it should be determined to enforce their removal, or to survey the territory allotted to them, some addition to it would be necessary, as the government has but a small force available for that service. Additional appropriations for the support of the army would also, in that event, be necessary.

For these reasons I have deemed it proper to submit the whole matter to Congress for such action as they may deem best.

MILLARD FILLMORE.

WASHINGTON, January 18, 1853.

Ordered, That the said message and accompanying documents be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs, and printed.

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

I transmit, herewith, a communication lately received at the Department of State from the Minister of her Most Catholic Majesty, accompanied by a letter of instructions from the Spanish government relative to the case of the "Amistad." In Mr. Calderon's communication reference is had to former letters addressed by him to the Department of State on the same subject, copies of which are herewith transmitted, and an earnest wish is expressed that a final settlement of this long-pending claim should be made. The tone of the letter of instructions from Mr. Manuel Bertran de Lis is somewhat more peremptory than could be wished; but this circumstance will not probably prevent Congress from giving his suggestions the attention to which they may be entitled.

The claim of the Spanish government, on behalf of its subjects inter-

ested in the "Amistad," was the subject of discussion during the administration of President Tyler, between the Spanish Minister and Mr. Webster, then Secretary of State. In an elaborate letter of the latter, addressed to the Chevalier D'Argais on the 1st of September, 1841, the opinion is confidently maintained that the claim is unfounded. The administration of President Polk took a different view of the matter. The justness of the claim was recognised in a letter from the Department of State to the Spanish Minister, of the 19th of March, 1847. In his annual message of the same year the President recommended its payment.

It is understood that reports favorable to the claim have, on more than one occasion, been made by committees of one or both houses of Congress, accompanied by bills providing for its payment.

Under these circumstances the attention of Congress is again invited to the subject. Respect to the Spanish government demands that its urgent representations should be candidly and impartially weighed. If Congress should be of opinion that the claim is just, every consideration points to the propriety of its prompt recognition and payment; and if the two houses should come to the opposite conclusion, it is equally desirable that this result should be announced without unnecessary delay.

MILLARD FILLMORE.

WASHINGTON, *January 17, 1853.*

Ordered, That the said message and accompanying documents be referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and printed.

The Speaker, by unanimous consent, also laid before the House the following executive communications, viz :

I. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting additional estimates from the Auditor of the Post Office Department; which was referred to the Committee of Ways and Means, and ordered to be printed.

II. A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting statements of contracts for the year 1852; which was laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

III. A letter from the Postmaster General, transmitting estimates of the sums of money expected to be required for the service of the year commencing July 1, 1853; which was referred to the Committee of Ways and Means, and ordered to be printed.

The Speaker also, by unanimous consent, laid before the House a letter from the Superintendent of Public Printing, transmitting estimates for paper required for the printing of the Thirty-second Congress, and of the expenses of his office for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1853; which was referred to the Committee of Ways and Means, and ordered to be printed.

Also, a communication from A. D. Bache, transmitting the memorial of the "American Philosophical Society, held at Philadelphia, for promoting useful knowledge," in relation to another expedition in search of Sir John Franklin.

On motion of Mr. George W. Jones,

Ordered, That the said memorial be laid on the table.

The question then recurring on the motion of Mr. Stuart to proceed to the business on the Speaker's table,

Mr. George W. Jones moved that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. Stuart made the point of order that it was not competent for the gentleman from Tennessee (Mr. Jones) to submit the motion to go into committee until the House had determined whether or not to proceed to the business on the Speaker's table; the latter motion having been made after the expiration of the morning hour, and pending the occupancy of the floor by a member in the discussion of another subject, and when no other motion could be made,

The Speaker overruled the point of order, on the ground that the motion to go to business on the Speaker's table had removed the only obstacle in the way of submitting the motion to go into Committee of the Whole on the state of the Union, by interrupting the pending discussion. He stated that it had been a very frequent practice to interpose the motion to go to the business on the Speaker's table, for the very purpose of being thus enabled to submit the motion (which could not otherwise be made) to go into Committee of the Whole.

From this decision of the Chair, Mr. Stuart appealed;

Pending which,

Mr. Dean moved that the appeal be laid on the table;

And the question being put on the latter motion,

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 104
Nays..... 61

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. William Aiken
Willis Allen
John Allison
William Appleton
William S. Ashe
Thomas H. Averett
Nelson Barrere
Thomas S. Bocock
Richard I. Bowie
John Bragg
Albert G. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
Thompson Campbell
John S. Caskie
Elijah W. Chastain
Sherrard Clemens
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
William F. Colcock
William Cullom
Carlton B. Curtis
John R. J. Daniel
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick
Alfred Dockery
Cyrus L. Dunham
Charles Durkee
Ben. C. Eastman

Mr. Alexander Evans
Presley Ewing
Charles J. Faulker
Orlando B. Ficklin
Thomas B. Florence
John G. Floyd
James Gamble
Joshua R. Giddings
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Galusha A. Grow
Isham G. Harris
Sampson W. Harris
Solomon G. Haven
Thomas A. Hendricks
Harry Hibbard
Junius Hillyer
George S. Houston
Volney E. Howard
John W. Howe
Joseph W. Jackson
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
James Johnson
John Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George W. Jones
J. Glancy Jones
Preston King
Joseph H. Kuhns
William H. Kurts
John Letcher

Mr. John C. Mason
John McNair
Richard K. Meade
John S. Millson
Richard S. Molony
John Moore
William Murray
Benjamin D. Nabers
James L. Orr
Andrew Parker
Samuel W. Parker
Charles H. Peaslee
Alexander G. Penn
William H. Polk
William A. Richardson
John Robbins, jr.
Reuben Robie
John L. Robinson
Thomas Ross
Joseph Russell
John H. Savage
Richardson Scurry
Origen S. Seymour
Charles Skelton
William R. Smith
Frederick P. Stanton
Richard H. Stanton
Alexander H. Stephens
Louis St. Martin
Nathan T. Stratton
Josiah Sutherland
Robert Toombs

Mr. Abraham W. Venable
Henry S. Walbridge
Daniel Wallace

Mr. Albert G. Watkins
Addison White
John A. Wilcox

Isaac Wildrick
Christopher H. Williams.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
Thomas Bartlett, jr.
Hiram Bell
Thomas M. Bibighaus
Samuel Brenton
George Briggs
George H. Brown
Joseph P. Caldwell
Lewis D. Campbell
Joseph R. Chandler
Charles Chapman
Lincoln Clark
Joseph S. Cottman
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
David T. Disney
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Francis B. Fay
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James M. Gaylord

Mr. Alfred Gilmore
Robert Goodenow
Ben. Edwards Grey
Edward Hammond
Alexander Harper
John H. H. Haws
Augustus P. Hascall
Jerediah Horsford
Thomas Y. How, jr.
George G. King
J. Aristide Landry
Edward P. Little
Horace Mann
Frederick S. Martin
John G. Miller
Charles Murphy
Eben Newton
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Gilchrist Porter
Rodman M. Price

Mr. Isaac Reed
George Read Riddle
Lorenzo Sabine
William A. Sackett
Zeno Scudder
William W. Snow
Edward Stanly
Benjamin Stanton
James F. Strotter
Charles E. Stuart
John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston
Norton S. Townshend
Amos Tuck
Thomas Y. Walsh
William T. Ward
Israel Washburn, jr.
John Welch
John Wells
Richard Yates.

So the appeal was laid on the table, and the decision of the Chair sustained.

The Speaker then stated the question to be on the motion of Mr. George W. Jones;

And being put,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 78
Nays..... 82

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. William Aiken
Willis Allen
John Allison
William S. Ashe
Thomas H. Averett
Leander Babcock
Henry Bennett
Thomas S. Bocock
John Bragg
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
David K. Cartter
John S. Caskie
Elijah W. Chastain
Sherrard Clemens
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
William F. Colcock
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick
Cyrus L. Dunham
John G. Floyd
James Gamble
Galuaha A. Grow

Mr. Isham G. Harris
Sampson W. Harris
Solomon G. Haven
Thomas A. Hendricks
Harry Hibbard
Junius Hillyer
George S. Houston
Volney E. Howard
John W. Howe
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
James Johnson
John Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George W. Jones
J. Glancy Jones
Preston King
James Lockhart
John McNair
James Meacham
John S. Millson
Abimian L. Miner
John Moore
James T. Morehead
Charles Murphy
William Murray

Mr. Benjamin D. Nabers
Edson B. Olds
James L. Orr
Andrew Parker
Samuel W. Parker
Charles H. Peaslee
Alexander G. Penn
William H. Polk
John Robbins, jr.
Reuben Robie
Thomas Ross
Joseph Russell
John H. Savage
Richardson Scurry
Charles Skelton
Richard H. Stanton
Alexander H. Stephens
Louis St. Martin
Nathan T. Stratton
Charles Sweetser
Abraham W. Venable
Daniel Wallace
Albert G. Watkins
John A. Wilcox
Isaac Wildrick
Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie	Mr. Francis B. Fay	Mr. Gilchrist Porter
Nelson Barrere	Thomas B. Florence	Rodman M. Price
Hiram Bell	Thomas J. D. Fuller	Isaac Reed
Thomas M. Bibbighaus	James M. Gaylord	George Read Riddle
Richard I. Bowie	Alfred Gilmore	Lorenzo Sabine
John C. Breckinridge	Robert Goodenow	William A. Sackett
Samuel Brenton	Frederick W. Green	Zeno Scudder
George Briggs	Ben. Edwards Grey	Origen S. Seymour
James Brooks	Edward Hammond	William W. Snow
Albert G. Brown	Alexander Harper	Edward Stanley
George H. Brown	Emanuel B. Hart	Benjamin Stanton
Joseph P. Caldwell	John H. H. Hawa	Charles E. Stuart
Lewis D. Campbell	Augustus P. Hascall	Josiah Sutherland
Joseph R. Chandler	Bernhart Henn	John L. Taylor
Charles Chapman	Jerediah Horsford	Benjamin B. Thurston
Lincoln Clark	Thomas Y. How, jr.	Robert Toombs
Joseph S. Cottman	Joseph W. Jackson	Norton S. Townshend
William Cullom	George G. King	Amos Tuck
Carlton B. Curtis	Joseph H. Kuhns	Henry S. Walbridge
John F. Darby	J. Aristide Landry	Thomas Y. Walsh
George T. Davis	Edward P. Little	William T. Ward
Alfred Dockery	Horace Mann	Israel Washburn, jr.
James Duane Doty	Frederick S. Martin	John Welch
James H. Duncan	John G. Miller	John Wells
Ben. C. Eastman	Richard S. Molony	Addison White
Alfred P. Edgerton	Eben Newton	Christopher H. Williams
Alexander Evans	Ebenezer J. Penningman	Richard Yates.
Presley Ewing		

So the House refused to resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

The question then recurring on the motion of Mr. Stuart that the House proceed to the consideration of the business on the Speaker's table,

Mr. Polk moved a call of the House;

Pending which,

Mr. Sweetser moved, at 2 o'clock and 30 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn;

And the question being put,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 45
Nays..... 105

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie	Mr. Solomon G. Haven	Mr. Samuel W. Parker
John Allison	Timothy Jenkins	Alexander G. Penn
Thomas H. Averett	Andrew Johnson	William H. Polk
Thompson Campbell	John Johnson	George Read Riddle
Elijah W. Chastain	George W. Jones	Reuben Robie
Joseph S. Cottman	J. Glancy Jones	Thomas Ross
William Cullom	Joseph H. Kuhns	Joseph Russell
John R. J. Daniel	J. Aristide Landry	Richardson Scurry
John L. Dawson	John C. Mason	Charles Skelton
Milo M. Dimmick	James X. McLanahan	William W. Snow
Cyrus L. Dunham	Richard K. Meade	Charles Sweetser
Alexander Evans	John Moore	Daniel Wallace
Presley Ewing	James T. Morehead	Addison White
John G. Floyd	William Murray	Christopher H. Williams
Sampson W. Harris	Edson B. Olds	Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Charles Allen

John Allison
William Appleton
William S. Ashe
Leander Babcock
Thomas H. Bayly
Nelson Barrere
Thomas Bartlett, jr.
Hiram Bell
Thomas M. Bibbighans
Richard I. Bowie
George Briggs
James Brooks
Albert G. Brown
George H. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
Joseph P. Caldwell
Thompson Campbell
Joseph R. Chandler
Charles Chapman
Lincoln Clark
Sherrard Clemens
Williamson R. W. Cobb
William F. Colcock
Joseph S. Cottman
Carlton B. Curtis
John F. Darby
John G. Davis
Alfred Dockery
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Charles Durkee
Ben. C. Eastman
Presley Ewing
Francis B. Fay
Thomas B. Florence
Thomas J. D. Fuller

Mr. James Gamble

James M. Gaylord
Joshua R. Giddings
Alfred Gilmore
Robert Goodenow
John Z. Goodrich
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Ben. Edwards Grey
Galusha A. Grow
Edward Hammond
Alexander Harper
Emanuel B. Hart
John H. H. Haws
Augustus P. Hascall
Thomas A. Hendricks
Junius Hillyer
Jerediah Horsford
George S. Houston
Volney E. Howard
Thomas Y. How, jr.
Joseph W. Jackson
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
John Johnson
George G. King
Joseph H. Kuhns
J. Aristide Landry
Edward P. Little
James Lockhart
Horace Mann
Frederick S. Martin
John C. Mason
Richard K. Meade
Henry D. Moore
Charles Murphy

Mr. Eben Newton

Andrew Parker
Charles H. Peaslee
Ebenezer J. Penniman
John S. Phelps
Gilchrist Porter
Rodman M. Price
Isaac Reed
George Read Riddle
John Robbins, jr.
Thomas Ross
Joseph Russell
Lorenzo Sabine
William A. Sackett
John L. Schoolcraft
Zeno Scudder
David L. Seymour
Origen S. Seymour
Benjamin Stanton
Frederick P. Stanton
Richard H. Stanton
Nathan T. Stratton
James F. Strother
Charles E. Stuart
Josiah Sutherland
John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston
Robert Toombs
Henry S. Walbridge
Thomas Y. Walsh
Israel Washburn, jr.
Albert G. Watkins
John Welch
John Wells
Addison White
Richard Yates.

So the House refused a call.

The question again recurring on the motion of Mr. Stuart,

Mr. Bocock moved that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union;

Pending which,

Mr. Wildrick, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, bills of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 291. An act to amend an act entitled "An act for the discontinuance of the office of surveyor general in the several districts so soon as the surveys therein can be completed, for abolishing land offices under certain circumstances, and for other purposes;"

H. R. 151. An act for the relief of William McFarland, deceased;

H. R. 296. An act for the relief of John J. Sykes;

H. R. 171. An act for the relief of Thomas P. Dudley;

H. R. 301. An act for the relief of Philo Smith; when

The Speaker signed the same.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a bill of this House of the following title, viz:

H. R. 332. An act making appropriations for the support of the

Military Academy for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854, with amendments; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The Senate have also passed a bill of the following title, viz:

S. 584. An act authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue a register to the British bark *Fanny*, under the name of *Golden Mirror*; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then,

On motion of Mr. Scurry,

At 3 o'clock and 7 minutes p. m., the House adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock m.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, 1853.

The following petitions and other papers were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Abercrombie: The petition of citizens of the State of Alabama, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Troy to Geneva, in said State.

By Mr. McNair: The petition of citizens of the State of Pennsylvania, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from the Spring-house Tavern to Summeytown, in said State.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Russell: The petitions of Samuel C. Dickenson and John W. Cameron, invalids of the war of 1812, praying for pensions.

By Mr. Duncan: The petition of Aquilla Goodwin, an invalid soldier of the war of 1812, praying for a pension.

By Mr. Preston: The petition of Sally Jouett, widow of Colonel W. R. Jouett, an officer of the United States army, who died of disease contracted in the line of his duty during the Florida war, praying for a pension.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. Freeman: The petition of John D. Freeman, praying for a grant of the public lands to aid in the construction of a railroad from the Mississippi river to the Pacific ocean.

By Mr. Phelps: The petition of citizens of the State of Missouri, praying for authority to locate a section of land, in lieu of a worthless 16th section, for school purposes.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Miner: The petition of the members of the bar of Washington city, praying that the salary of the judge of the orphans' court in the District of Columbia be increased; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Thomas J. D. Fuller: The petition of Hiram O. Alden and James Eddy, praying for a grant of one million five hundred thousand acres of land to aid them in the construction of a subterranean line of telegraph from Saint Louis to San Francisco; which was referred to the Committee on Territories.

By Mr. Preston: Additional documents in the claim of William R. Vance.

By Mr. Strother: The petition of Charles G. Cannon, praying for payment of money due him as a soldier of the war of 1812.

Ordered, That said petition and documents be referred to the Committee of Claims.

By Mr. Gorman: The petition of the clerks and messengers in the executive departments in Washington city, praying for a continuance of the twenty per centum increased compensation for the ensuing fiscal year; which was referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

By Mr. Ingersoll: The petition of J. C. B. Davis, secretary of United States legation at London, praying for additional compensation; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. Haven: The petition of citizens of the State of New York, praying that the teamsters in the Mexican war be granted bounty lands; which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Burrows: The petition of citizens of the State of New York, praying for the construction of a ship-canal between the Lakes Ontario and Erie; which was referred to the Committee on Roads and Canals.

Mr. Henn, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee did, on the 19th instant, present to the President of the United States bills and resolutions of the following titles, viz:

S. 33. An act for the relief of Mrs. E. A. McNeil, widow of the late General John McNeil;

S. 509. An act for the relief of Elizabeth Armistead;

S. 38. A resolution for surrendering the site of the old Oglethorpe barracks to the city council of Savannah, Georgia;

S. 68. A resolution explanatory of the appropriation for the improvement of the mouth of Sekonk river, and harbor of Providence, Rhode Island.

Mr. Henn gave notice, under the rule, of his intention to move for leave to introduce a bill granting a certain quantity of public land to the State of Iowa, in alternate sections, for the purpose of aiding said State in the construction of a railroad from the cities of Burlington and Keokuk to the Missouri river, in said State.

Mr. Henn, by unanimous consent, presented a joint resolution of the legislature of the State of Iowa, asking a grant of land to aid in the construction of a railroad from Burlington and Keokuk to the Missouri river; which was referred to the Committee on Public Lands, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Hart, by unanimous consent, presented a preamble and joint resolutions of the legislature of the State of New York, correcting an error in the engrossment of a resolution of the last session of the said legislature on the subject of a grant of lands to all the States for educational purposes; which were laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Lane, by unanimous consent, submitted the following resolution; which was read, and referred to the members of the Committee on Printing on the part of the House, viz:

Resolved, That there be printed for the use of the Commissioner of

the General Land Office one thousand copies of the supplement to the annual report of said commissioner for the year 1852-'53.

Mr. Jenkins moved that the vote by which the Committee on Private Land Claims were on yesterday discharged from the further consideration of the petition of the trustees of the Monticello Academy, and the same referred to the Committee on Public Lands, be reconsidered.

The said motion was passed over for the present.

Mr. Clark, by unanimous consent, presented the joint memorial of the legislature of the State of Iowa, asking a grant of lands to aid in the construction of a railroad from Davenport to the Missouri river, in said State; which was referred to the Committee on Public Lands, and ordered to be printed.

The House then resumed, as the regular order of business, the consideration of the bill of the House (No. 344) "to establish a branch of the mint of the United States in the city of New York;" the pending question being on its rejection.

After debate, and pending the said question, the morning hour having expired,

Mr. Houston moved that the House proceed to the consideration of the business on the Speaker's table;

Pending which,

Mr. Houston moved that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

And the question being put on the latter motion,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas 80
Nays 100

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. Willis Allen
John Allison
William S. Ashe
Thomas H. Averett
Henry Bennett
Thomas S. Bocock
Albert G. Brown
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
David K. Cartter
Elijah W. Chastain
Sherrard Clemens
Williamson R. W. Cobb
William F. Colcock
William Cullom
Carlton B. Curtis
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick
Cyrus L. Dunham
Henry A. Edmundson
Alexander Evans
Charles J. Faulkner
John G. Floyd
James Gamble
Joshua B. Giddings

Mr. Willis A. Gorman
Galusha A. Grow
Willard P. Hall
Isham G. Harris
Sampson W. Harris
Solomon G. Haven
Thomas A. Hendricks
Harry Hibbard
George S. Houston
Volney E. Howard
John W. Howe
Willard Ives
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
Robert W. Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George W. Jones
Preston King
William H. Kurtz
John Letcher
John C. Mason
Joseph W. McCorkle
James X. McLanahan
Fayette McMullen
John McNair
Richard K. Meade
John S. Millson

Mr. John Moore
James T. Morehead
Charles Murphy
William Murray
Edson B. Olds
James L. Orr
David Outlaw
Charles H. Peaslee
Alexander G. Penn
John S. Phelps
William H. Polk
Reuben Robie
John L. Robinson
Thomas Ross
John H. Savage
Richardson Scurry
Charles Skelton
William R. Smith
Richard H. Stanton
Alexander H. Stephens
Louis St. Martin
Nathan T. Stratton
Charles Sweetser
Abraham W. Venable
Albert G. Watkins
Isaac Wildrick.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Charles Allen	Mr. Thomas J. D. Fuller	Mr. Ebenezer J. Penniman
John Appleton	James M. Gaylord	Gilchrist Porter
William Appleton	Alfred Gilmore	William Preston
Leander Babcock	Robert Goodenow	Rodman M. Price
Thomas H. Bayly	Frederick W. Green	George Read Riddle
Nelson Barrere	Ben. Edwards Grey	John Robbins, jr.
Thomas Bartlett, jr.	Edward Hammond	Joseph Russell
Hiram Bell	Alexander Harper	Lorenzo Sabine
Thomas M. Bibighaus	Emanuel B. Hart	William A. Sackett
Richard I. Bowie	John H. H. Haws	Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
Samuel Brenton	Bernhart Henn	Zeno Scudder
George Briggs	Jerediah Horsford	David L. Seymour
James Brooks	Thomas Y. How, jr.	Origen S. Seymour
George H. Brown	Colin M. Ingersoll	Edward Stanly
Lorenzo Burrows	Joseph W. Jackson	Benjamin Stanton
Joseph P. Caldwell	James Johnson	James F. Strother
Lewis D. Campbell	John Johnson	Charles E. Stuart
Joseph R. Chandler	George G. King	Josiah Sutherland
Charles Chapman	Joseph H. Kuhns	John L. Taylor
Lincoln Clark	J. Aristide Landry	Benjamin B. Thurston
Thomas L. Clingman	Edward P. Little	Robert Toombs
Joseph S. Cottman	Horace Mann	Norton S. Townshend
John F. Darby	Edward C. Marshall	Amos Tuck
David T. Diney	Frederick S. Martin	Henry S. Walbridge
Alfred Dockery	James Meacham	Thomas Y. Walsh
James Duane Doty	John G. Miller	William T. Ward
James H. Duncan	Ahiman L. Miner	Israel Washburn, jr.
Charles Durkee	Richard S. Molony	John Welch
Ben. C. Eastman	Henry D. Moore	John Wells
Alfred P. Edgerton	Benjamin D. Nabers	Addison White
Presley Ewing	Eben Newton	Alexander White
Francis B. Fay	Andrew Parker	Christopher H. Williams
Thomas B. Florence	Samuel W. Parker	Joseph A. Woodward.
John D. Freeman		

So the House refused to resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

The question then recurring on the motion of Mr. Houston to go to business on the Speaker's table,

Mr. Stuart moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put; and under the operation thereof, the House resolved to proceed to the consideration of the business on the Speaker's table; when

The Speaker laid before the House the following executive communications, viz:

I. The annual report of the Secretary of the Treasury on the state of the finances; which was referred to the Committee of Ways and Means, and ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. George W. Jones,

Ordered, That it be referred to the Committee on Printing, to inquire into the expediency of printing 15,000 extra copies of the said report.

II. A letter from the acting Treasurer of the United States, transmitting copies of his accounts for receipts and disbursements for the Post Office Department for the year ending the 30th of June, 1853; which was laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

Bill of the House (No. 283) entitled "An act to extend the provisions of an act approved the 3d of March, 1847, and the act approved the 26th of February, 1849, for carrying into effect the existing com-

pacts with the States of Alabama and Mississippi, in relation to the five per cent. fund and school reservations"—heretofore reported from the Senate with an amendment—was taken up.

Ordered, That the said amendment be agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Bill of the Senate (No. 477) entitled "An act to continue half-pay to certain widows and orphans," was next taken up; the pending question being on the amendment of the Senate to the amendment of the House to the said bill.

Ordered, That the said amendment to the amendment be disagreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Subsequently,

A message was received from the Senate by Mr. Dickens, their Secretary, notifying the House that the Senate had insisted upon their said amendment to the amendment of the House to the said bill, and requested a conference with the House on the said disagreeing votes, and that Mr. Hamlin, Mr. Jones of Iowa, and Mr. Borland had been appointed the committee on the part of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Cobb,

Ordered, That the House agree to the conference asked for by the Senate on the said bill, and that Mr. Cobb, of Alabama, Mr. Isham G. Harris, of Tennessee, and Mr. Porter, of Missouri, be the said committee on the part of this House.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

H. R. 332. An act making appropriations for the support of the Military Academy for the year ending June 30, 1854—heretofore reported from the Senate with sundry amendments—was next taken up.

Ordered, That the bill and amendments be committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

The concurrent resolution of the Senate, proposing an amendment to the sixteenth joint rule of the two houses, was next taken up and read, as follows, viz:

Add at the end of the said joint rule, "*and all general appropriation bills shall be sent at least ten days previous to the day fixed for the adjournment of Congress.*"

On motion of Mr. Alexander H. Stephens,

Ordered, That the said resolution be laid on the table.

Mr. George W. Jones moved that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; which motion was disagreed to.

Mr. Gorman, from the Committee on Printing, reported the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the Committee on Printing inquire into the expediency of ordering the printing and binding the Seventh Census of the United States—first, as to its cost per copy under the prices of the public printer; second, as to the matter proper to be published—and report at the earliest day possible to this House;

Which having been read,

Mr. Alexander H. Stephens moved to amend the same, by adding after "public printer" the following words, viz: "*and whether said*

printing can be procured at cheaper rates elsewhere;" which motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Richard H. Stanton, the said resolution was further amended, by inserting before "Committee," in the first line, the word "*Joint*."

And then the resolution, as amended, was agreed to.

So it was

Resolved, That the Joint Committee on Printing inquire into the expediency of ordering the printing and binding the Seventh Census of the United States—first, as to its cost per copy under the prices of the public printer, and whether said printing can be procured at cheaper rates elsewhere; second, as to the matter proper to be published—and report at the earliest day possible to this House.

The *first* and *second* classes of business on the Speaker's table having been disposed of, the Speaker announced, as the first bill in order in the *third* class, the bill of the Senate (No. 369) entitled "An act to prohibit public executions in the District of Columbia."

Mr. Walsh made the point of order that the bill of the Senate (No. 64) entitled "An act to provide for the ascertainment and satisfaction of claims of American citizens for spoliations committed by the French prior to the 31st day of July, 1831," was the first business in order in the third class, on the ground that when the said bill was last under consideration, (having been read a first and second time,) there were motions made to refer and commit the same, which motions were left pending and undetermined, by reason of the adjournment of the House; and, also, on the ground that the 58th rule makes the unfinished business at which the House was engaged at its adjournment first in the orders of the day.

The Speaker decided that the only effect of the pendency of a motion to commit when the House passes from the consideration of a bill, is to make the bill first in order when that class of business to which it belongs is again reached. The proper inquiry, then, is to what class of business on the Speaker's table does this bill belong? The 27th rule describes the fifth class of business as follows, viz:

5th. Bills of the House and from the Senate on the Speaker's table, on their engrossment, or on being ordered to a third reading, to be taken up and considered in the order of time in which they passed to a second reading.

This contains a literal description of this bill after its second reading, viz: a "Senate bill on being ordered to a third reading;" and unless the effect of a motion to commit be to take a bill out of its class, instead of making it *first in its class*, the 5th is certainly the class to which it still belongs.

So far as relates to the 58th rule, and its effect upon the bill, the Chair is very clear in his opinion that its operation would be to place the bill in a less prominent position, viz: in the orders of the day, which can only be reached after all the classes of business on the Speaker's table are disposed of.

From this decision of the Chair, Mr. Walsh appealed;

Pending which,

Mr. Dean moved that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

And the question being put,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas 59
Nays 102

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. Willis Allen
John Allison
William S. Ashe
Thomas H. Averett
James M. H. Beale
John Bragg
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
John S. Caskie
Sherrard Clemens
Williamson R. W. Cobb
William F. Colcock
John R. J. Daniel
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick
Cyrus L. Dunham
Henry A. Edmundson
Alexander Evans

Mr. Charles J. Faulkner
John G. Floyd
Willis A. Gorman
Galusha A. Grow
Solomon G. Haven
Thomas A. Hendricks
George S. Houston
Volney E. Howard
Willard Ives
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George W. Jones
Preston King
John C. Mason
Fayette McMullen
Richard K. Meade
John S. Millson
John Moore
Charles Murphy

Mr. William Murray
Edson B. Olds
David Outlaw
Charles H. Peaslee
Alexander G. Penn
Reuben Robie
John L. Robinson
Richardson Scurry
Charles Skelton
William R. Smith
Louis St. Martin
Nathan T. Stratton
Charles Sweetser
Abraham W. Venable
Albert G. Watkins
John A. Wilcox
Isaac Wildrick
Christopher H. Williams
Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
John Appleton
William Appleton
Leander Babcock
Thomas H. Bayly
Nelson Barrere
Thomas Bartlett, jr.
Thomas M. Bibighaus
Richard I. Bowie
John C. Breckinridge
Samuel Brenton
George Briggs
James Brooks
Albert G. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
Joseph P. Caldwell
Lewis D. Campbell
David K. Cartter
Joseph R. Chandler
Charles Chapman
Lincoln Clark
Thomas L. Clingman
Joseph S. Cottman
William Cullom
Carlton B. Curtis
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
David T. Disney
Alfred Dockery
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Charles Durkee
Ben. C. Eastman
Alfred P. Edgerton
Prossley Ewing

Mr. Francis B. Fay
Thomas B. Florence
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James M. Gaylord
Joshua R. Giddings
Alfred Gilmore
Robert Goodenow
Frederick W. Green
Ben. Edwards Grey
Edward Hammond
Alexander Harper
Emanuel B. Hart
John H. H. Haws
Bernhart Henn
Jerediah Horsford
John W. Howe
Thomas Y. How, jr.
Colin M. Ingersoll
Joseph W. Jackson
James Johnson
Robert W. Johnson
George G. King
Joseph H. Kuhns
William H. Kurtz
J. Aristide Landry
Edward P. Little
Horace Mann
Frederick S. Martin
James Meacham
John G. Miller
Abimian L. Miner
Richard S. Molony
Henry D. Moore
Benjamin D. Nabers

Mr. Eben Newton
Andrew Parker
Samuel W. Parker
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Gilchrist Porter
William Preston
Rodman M. Price
Isaac Reed
George Read Riddle
John Robbins, jr.
Lorenzo Sabine
William A. Sackett
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
John L. Schoolcraft
Zeno Scudder
David L. Seymour
Origen S. Seymour
Edward Stanly
Benjamin Stanton
Alexander H. Stephens
James F. Strother
Josiah Sutherland
John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston
Norton S. Townshend
Amos Tuck
Henry S. Walbridge
Thomas Y. Walsh
William T. Ward
Israel Washburn, jr.
John Welch
John Wells
Addison White
Richard Yates.

So the House refused to resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

The question then recurring on the appeal, Mr. Venable moved that it be laid on the table.

And the question being put,

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 91
Nays..... 80

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. Willis Allen
John Allison
Thomas H. Averett
James M. H. Beale
John Bragg
Albert G. Brown
George H. Busby
Joseph P. Caldwell
David K. Cartter
John S. Caskie
Lincoln Clark
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
William F. Colcock
James L. Conger
William Cullom
Carlton B. Curtis
John R. J. Daniel
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick
Cyrus L. Dunham
Charles Durkee
Ben. C. Eastman
Henry A. Edmundson
Alexander Evans
Presley Ewing
Charles J. Faulkner
John G. Floyd
James Gamble

Mr. Willis A. Gorman
Galusha A. Grow
Isham G. Harris
Sampson W. Harris
Solomon G. Haven
Thomas A. Hendricks
Bernhart Henn
Harry Hibbard
George S. Houston
Volney E. Howard
Willard Ives
Joseph W. Jackson
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
James Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George W. Jones
Preston King
William H. Kurtz
James Lockhart
John C. Mason
Joseph W. McCorkle
Fayette McMullen
Richard K. Meade
John S. Millson
Richard S. Molony
John Moore
James T. Morehead
Charles Murphy
William Murray

Mr. Benjamin D. Nabers
Edson B. Olds
James L. Orr
David Outlaw
Andrew Parker
Charles H. Peaslee
Ebenezer J. Penniman
William H. Polk
William Preston
John Robbins, jr.
Reuben Robie
John L. Robinson
Richardson Scurry
David L. Seymour
Charles Skelton
William R. Smith
Frederick P. Stanton
Richard H. Stanton
Alexander H. Stephens
James W. Stone
Louis St. Martin
Nathan T. Stratton
Charles E. Stuart
Charles Sweetser
Abraham W. Venable
Albert G. Watkins
John A. Wilcox
Isaac Wildrick
Christopher H. Williams
Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. William Aiken
John Appleton
William Appleton
Thomas H. Bayly
Nelson Barrere
Thomas Bartlett, jr.
Hiram Bell
Henry Bennett
Richard I. Bowie
Samuel Brenton
George Briggs
George H. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
Lewis D. Campbell
Joseph R. Chandler
Charles Chapman
Joseph S. Cottman
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
David T. Disney
Alfred Dockery

Mr. James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Alfred P. Edgerton
Francis B. Fay
Thomas B. Florence
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James M. Gaylord
Joshua R. Giddings
Alfred Gilmore
Robert Goodenow
Frederick W. Green
Ben. Edwards Grey
Edward Hammond
Alexander Harper
Emanuel B. Hart
John H. H. Haws
Jeremiah Horsford
John W. Howe
Thomas Y. How, jr.
Colin M. Ingersoll
Robert W. Johnson

Mr. George G. King
Joseph H. Kuhns
J. Aristide Landry
Edward P. Little
Horace Mann
Frederick S. Martin
James Meacham
John G. Miller
Ahiman L. Miner
Henry D. Moore
Eben Newton
Samuel W. Parker
Rodman M. Price
Isaac Reed
George Read Riddle
Lorenzo Sabine
William A. Sackett
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
John L. Schoolcraft
Zeno Scudder
Origen S. Seymour

Mr. Ephraim K. Smart
Edward Stanly
Benjamin Stanton
Josiah Sutherland
John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston

Mr. Robert Toombs
Norton S. Townshend
Amos Tuck
Henry S. Walbridge
Thomas Y. Walsh
William T. Ward

Mr. Israel Washburn, jr.
John Welch
John Wells
Addison White
Richard Yates.

So the appeal was laid on the table, and the decision of the Chair sustained.

The bill of the Senate (No. 369) entitled "An act to prohibit public executions in the District of Columbia," was accordingly taken up and read a first and second time.

Mr. Alexander H. Stephens moved that it be laid on the table; which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurring on its third reading,

Mr. George W. Jones moved that it be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, with instructions "so to amend the same as to abolish capital punishment in the District of Columbia;"

Pending which,

Mr. George W. Jones moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put;

Pending which,

Mr. McLanahan moved that the bill be laid on the table; which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurred on the motion to refer with instructions. And, being put, was decided in the negative.

The bill was then ordered to be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Stanly moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

The Speaker, by unanimous consent, laid before the House the following message, just received from the President of the United States; which was read, and is as follows, viz:

To the House of Representatives:

In answer to the resolution of the House of Representatives of the 27th ultimo, requesting information relative to the claims on Spain, in the cases of the barque Georgiana and the brig Susan Loud, I transmit a report from the Secretary of State, to whom the resolution was referred.

MILLARD FILLMORE.

WASHINGTON, January 19, 1853.

Mr. Polk moved that the said message and accompanying documents be referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and printed; which motion was agreed to.

Mr. Polk moved that the vote by which the said message and documents were ordered to be printed be reconsidered;

Pending which, and after debate,

Mr. Houston moved the previous question;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. McMullen,

At 3 o'clock and 30 minutes p. m., the House adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock m.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 21, 1853.

The following petitions were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Cartter: The petition of citizens of the State of Ohio, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Strasburg, via Freiburg, to Paris, in said State.

By Mr. Hibbard: The petition of citizens of the State of New Hampshire, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from the rail road station at Berlin Falls to Erroll, in said State.

By Mr. Miller: The petition of citizens of the State of Missouri, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Blooming to Edina, in Knox county, in said State.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Andrew Johnson: The petition of John Morris, of the State of Tennessee, praying to be placed on the invalid pension roll; which was referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. Ingersoll: The petition of citizens of the State of Connecticut, praying for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a railroad from Detroit, in the State of Michigan, to Kewana Point, on Lake Superior; which was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Goodenow: The petition of citizens of the State of Maine, praying for the adjustment of national difficulties without war.

By Mr. Kuhns: The petition of citizens of the State of Pennsylvania, of like import with the foregoing.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. Fay: The petition of citizens of Chelsea, in the State of Massachusetts, praying for authority to locate and open a public street through a portion of the ground of the marine hospital at Chelsea; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

A message was received from the President of the United States, by Millard P. Fillmore, his private secretary, notifying the House that he did, on the 20th of January, 1853, approve and sign bills of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 329. An act making an appropriation for the payment of navy pensions for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854;

H. R. 243. An act to surrender to the State of Ohio the unfinished portion of the Cumberland road in said State;

H. R. 198. An act for the relief of the heirs or legal representatives of Joseph Arnow, deceased;

H. R. 330. An act making appropriations for the payment of invalid and other pensions of the United States for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854.

The House proceeded to the consideration of private bills on the Speaker's table—heretofore reported from a Committee of the Whole House; when

H. R. 168. A bill for the relief of David Myerle—heretofore reported with a recommendation that it do not pass—was taken up; the pending question being on its engrossment.

After debate,

Mr. Orr moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put.

Pending the question on the engrossment of the bill,

Mr. Richardson moved that it be laid on the table;

And the question being put on the latter motion,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas. 71
Nays. 84

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. Willis Allen
John Allison
Leander Babcock
Thomas Bartlett, jr.
Thomas M. Bibighaus
John C. Breckinridge
Joseph P. Caldwell
Joseph R. Chandler
Charles Chapman
Elijah W. Chastain
Williamson R. W. Cobb
John R. J. Daniel
John F. Darby
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Ben. C. Eastman
Francis B. Fay
Robert Goodenow
Ben. Edwards Grey
Willard P. Hall
Isham G. Harris
Augustus P. Hascall
Solomon G. Haven

Mr. Thomas A. Hendricks
Bernhart Henn
Harry Hibbard
Jerediah Hornford
George S. Houston
Colin M. Ingersoll
Willard Ives
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
James Johnson
John Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George W. Jones
George G. King
Joseph H. Kuhns
John Letcher
Edward P. Little
Horace Mann
Frederick S. Martin
John C. Mason
Joseph W. McCorkle
Fayette McMullen
John Moore
James T. Morehead

Mr. Charles Murphy
William Murray
Benjamin D. Nabers
Eben Newton
David Outlaw
Samuel W. Parker
Ebenezer J. Penniman
William A. Richardson
Reuben Robie
Joseph Russell
John L. Schoolcraft
Origen S. Seymour
Charles Skelton
Alexander H. Stephens
Louis St. Martin
Charles E. Stuart
Charles Sweetser
Benjamin B. Thurston
Robert Toombs
Abraham W. Venable
Albert G. Watkins
John Welch
Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. William S. Ashe
Thomas H. Averett
Thomas H. Bayly
Nelson Barrere
James M. H. Beale
Thomas S. Bocock
Richard I. Bowie
Obadiah Bowne
Samuel Brenton
James Brooks
Albert G. Brown
George H. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
George H. Busby
David K. Cartter
John S. Caskie
Lincoln Clark
Sherrard Clemens

Mr. William F. Colcock
Joseph S. Cottman
Carlton B. Curtis
George T. Davis
Milo M. Dimmick
David T. Disney
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Charles Durkee
Alfred P. Edgerton
Henry A. Edmundson
Alexander Evans
Presley Ewing
Charles J. Faulkner
Thomas B. Florence
John D. Freeman
James Gamble
James M. Gaylord

Mr. Alfred Gilmore
Frederick W. Green
Galusha A. Grow
Edward Hammond
Alexander Harper
Sampson W. Harris
Emanuel B. Hart
John H. H. Haws
Junius Hillyer
Volney E. Howard
John W. Howe
Joseph W. Jackson
Robert W. Johnson
J. Glancy Jones
William H. Kurtz
J. Aristide Landry
Edward C. Marshall
James X. McLanahan

Mr. John McNair
John G. Miller
John S. Millson
Ahiman L. Miner
Henry D. Moore
John A. Morrison
Andrew Parker
Charles H. Peaslee
Alexander G. Penn
John S. Phelps

Mr. William H. Polk
Rodman M. Price
John Robbins, jr.
Lorenzo Sabine
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
David L. Seymour
William W. Snow
Edward Stanly
Richard H. Stanton
James W. Stone

Mr. Nathan T. Stratton
James F. Strother
Josiah Sutherland
John L. Taylor
Henry S. Walbridge
Daniel Wallace
Thomas Y. Walsh
William T. Ward
John Wells
John A. Wilcox.

So the House refused to lay the bill on the table.

Pending the question on the engrossment of the bill,

On motion of Mr. Thomas H. Bayly,

Ordered, That when the House adjourns to-day, it adjourn until Monday next.

The question again recurring on the engrossment of the bill,

Ordered, That the bill be engrossed and read a third time.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time.

The question was then put, Shall the bill pass?

And it was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas 80
Nays 76

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
William S. Ashe
Thomas H. Averett
Thomas H. Bayly
Nelson Barrere
James M. H. Beale
Hiram Bell
Thomas S. Bocock
Richard I. Bowie
Samuel Brenton
George Briggs
Albert G. Brown
George H. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
George H. Busby
David K. Cartter
John S. Caskie
Lincoln Clark
Sherrard Clemens
William F. Colcock
Joseph S. Costman
Carlton B. Curtis
George T. Davis
Milo M. Dimmick
David T. Disney
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan

Mr. Charles Durkee
Alfred P. Edgerton
Henry A. Edmundson
Alexander Evans
Presley Ewing
Charles J. Faulkner
Thomas B. Florence
John D. Freeman
James Gamble
James M. Gaylord
Alfred Gilmore
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Galusha A. Grow
Edward Hammond
Alexander Harper
Sampson W. Harris
John H. H. Haws
Volney E. Howard
John W. Howe
Joseph W. Jackson
Robert W. Johnson
J. Glancy Jones
William H. Kurtz
J. Aristide Landry
Edward C. Marshall
James X. McLanahan

Mr. John McNair
John G. Miller
John S. Millson
Ahiman L. Miner
Richard S. Molony
Henry D. Moore
John A. Morrison
Andrew Parker
Charles H. Peaslee
William H. Polk
Gilchrist Porter
John Robbins, jr.
Lorenzo Sabine
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
Edward Stanly
Richard H. Stanton
James W. Stone
Nathan T. Stratton
Josiah Sutherland
John L. Taylor
Henry S. Walbridge
Daniel Wallace
Thomas Y. Walsh
William T. Ward
John Wells
John A. Wilcox.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Willis Allen
John Allison
Leander Babcock
Thomas Bartlett, jr.
Thomas M. Bibighaus
John C. Breckinridge
Joseph P. Caldwell
Charles Chapman
Elijah W. Chastain

Mr. Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
William Cullom
John F. Darby
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Ben. C. Eastman
Francis B. Fay
Robert Goodenow

Mr. Ben. Edwards Grey
Willard P. Hall
Isam G. Harris
Augustus P. Hascall
Solomon G. Haven
Thomas A. Hendricks
Bernhart Henn
Harry Hibbard
Junius Hillyer

Mr. Jerediah Horsford
George S. Houston
Thomas Y. How, jr.
Colin M. Ingersoll
Willard Ives
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
James Johnson
John Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George W. Jones
George G. King
Joseph H. Kuhns
John Letcher
Edward P. Little
James Lockhart
Horace Mann

Mr. Frederick S. Martin
John C. Mason
Joseph W. McCorkle
Fayette McMullen
John Moore
James T. Morehead
Charles Murphy
William Murray
Benjamin D. Nabers
Eben Newton
David Outlaw
Samuel W. Parker
Ebenezer J. Penniman
William A. Richardson
Reuben Robie
Joseph Russell

Mr John L. Schoolcraft
David L. Seymour
Origen S. Seymour
Charles Skelton
Benjamin Stanton
Alexander H. Stephens
Louis St. Martin
Charles E. Stuart
Charles Sweetser
Benjamin B. Thurston
Robert Toombs
Amos Tuck
Abraham W. Venable
Albert G. Watkins
John Welch
Joseph A. Woodward.

So the bill was passed.

Mr. Bocock moved that the vote by which the bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the said bill.

Mr. Polk called up the motion submitted by him on yesterday, viz: to reconsider the vote by which the message of the President in relation to the barque "Georgiana" and brig "Susan Loud," was ordered to be printed; the pending question being on the demand for the previous question.

The reading of the said message having been called for,

Mr. Polk moved that the House be cleared of all persons, except the members and officers, during the reading of the same; which motion was disagreed to.

The message and accompanying report then being read,

Mr. Polk withdrew his aforesaid motion to reconsider.

Mr. Thomas H. Bayly moved that the vote by which the said message was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, be reconsidered; which motion was agreed to.

The question again recurring on the motion to refer,

Mr. Polk withdrew the same.

And then,

On motion of Mr. Bayly, it was ordered that the message be laid on the table.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed bills of this House of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 163. An act for the relief of Jacob J. Storer; and

H. R. 135. An act for the relief of Charles S. Mathews, Charles Wood, and James Hall—the former without, and the latter with an amendment;

in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The Senate have passed bills of the following titles, viz:

S. 226. An act for the relief of Lewis H. Bates and William Lacon;

S. 292. An act for the relief of Richard W. Meade;

S. 311. An act for the relief of George Dennett, of Portsmouth, New Hampshire;

S. 468. An act for the relief of John M. McIntosh;

In which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The President of the United States has notified the Senate that he did, on the 20th instant, approve and sign bills of the following titles, viz :

S. 33. An act for the relief of Mrs. E. A. McNeil, widow of the late General John McNeil;

S. 509. An act for the relief of Elizabeth Armistead;

S. 68. Joint resolution explanatory of the appropriation for the improvement of the mouth of the Sekonk river, and harbor of Providence, Rhode Island;

S. 38. Joint resolution for surrendering the site of the old Oglethorpe barracks to the city council of Savannah, Georgia.

And then be withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Wilcox, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That the Committee on Public Lands be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of William Hulbert and others, in behalf of the said Hulbert, and that the same be referred to the Committee on Private Land Claims.

On motion of Mr. Edgerton, by unanimous consent, the House proceeded to the consideration of the bill of the House (No. 135) "for the relief of Charles S. Mathews, Charles Wood, and James Hall"—reported this day from the Senate with an amendment;

When

The said amendment was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

And then,

On motion of Mr. Alexander H. Stephens,

At 3 o'clock p. m., the House adjourned until Monday next at 12 o'clock m.

MONDAY, JANUARY 24, 1853.

Another member appeared and took his seat, viz :

From the State of Georgia—David J. Bailey.

The following petitions and memorials were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit :

By Mr. Willis Allen : The petition of citizens of Jackson county, in the State of Illinois, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Murfreesboro', in Jackson county, to Marion, in Williamson county, in said State.

By Mr. Haws : The memorial of Christian Hansen, of New York, proposing to enter into a contract with the government for carrying the United States mails in steamers from the city of Kiel, or Lubec, to St. Petersburg, in Russia, so as to connect with the proposed line to Gluckstadt, on the Elbe, and the Bremen line.

Ordered, That said petition and memorial be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Benjamin Stanton : The petition and accompanying papers

of Robert Irons, of Logan county, Ohio, praying for a pension for military services from the year 1789 to 1794, in the Indian wars in Western Virginia; which were referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions.

By Mr. Hart: The petition of Stephen Conner, praying for arrears of pension.

By Mr. Kuhns: The petition of William Grunlee, praying for relief.

By Mr. Scudder: The petition of widow Susan Worth, stepmother of the late General Worth, and mother of the late Captain Joseph S. Worth, of the United States army, stating her age and destitute circumstances, and asking the allowance of a pension.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. Penn: The petition of A. G. Penn, praying to extend pre-emption rights to unreserved lands, and for other purposes.

By Mr. Dawson: The petition of citizens of the State of Pennsylvania, praying for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a railroad from Detroit, in the State of Michigan, to Lake Superior.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Horsford: The petition of Dolly Mosley, daughter of Abraham Root, praying to be allowed a land warrant or other relief; which was referred to the Committee of Claims.

By Mr. Stanley: The petition of citizens of the State of Maryland, praying for the payment to the several States the surplus revenue, under the act of June, 1836; which was referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

By Mr. Disney: The petition of citizens of Hamilton county, in the State of Ohio, praying for the adjustment of national difficulties without war.

By Mr. Scudder: The petition of citizens of Sandwich, in the State of Massachusetts, of like import with the foregoing.

By Mr. Jenkins: The petition of the heirs and legal representatives of John Hogan, praying for relief.

By Mr. Cabell: The petition of Joseph R. Crosby, consul of the United States at Cowes, praying Congress to reimburse him for extraordinary expenses incurred by him in the public service.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. Chastain: The memorial of John Langly and other Cherokee Indians east, praying Congress for a *pro rata* share of the money due them under the treaty of 1836, and for a speedy adjustment of the claims of the Cherokees east; which was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. Hibbard: The memorial of C. Ludwig Richter, asking compensation for services rendered by him in the casting of the Equestrian Statue of General Jackson, and for other objects specified therein; which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Brooks: The petition of Henry Betts, submitting a plan for a railroad to the Pacific ocean; which was referred to the Committee on Roads and Canals.

By Mr. Babcock: The petition of the mayor and common council of the city of Oswego, praying for a further appropriation to complete the pier at Oswego; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. Hart: The petition of certain officers of the United States army, praying for the repeal of the law regulating the conduct of sutlers of the army; which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Venable: The petition of the mechanics at the navy-yard at Washington city, praying for increase of pay; which was referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

By Mr. Carter: The petition of citizens of New Haven, in the State of Connecticut, praying that inventors may be better protected in their rights; which was referred to the Committee on Patents.

The Speaker announced as first in order the motion submitted by Mr. Bell, and pending when the House adjourned on Monday last, to suspend the rules, so as to enable him to introduce a bill making further provisions for, and granting bounty land to, those who have been engaged in the wars and service of the United States.

And the question being put,

It was decided in the negative—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Houston moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to submit the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That, until otherwise ordered, the hour of meeting of this House shall be eleven o'clock a. m.; and that House bill No. 335, to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the year ending June 30, 1853, also the following House bills for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1854:

1. A bill for the support of the army, No. 336;
2. The Indian appropriation bill, No. 333;
3. A bill making appropriations for the naval service;
4. The post office appropriation bill;
5. The mail steamer bill;
6. The civil and diplomatic appropriation bill;

be made the special order of the day for one o'clock p. m. on each day from and after this day; and that they continue to be the special order for each day until finally disposed of.

And the question being put, Shall the rules be suspended?

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 90
Nays..... 75

Two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. John Allison
William Appleton
William S. Ashe
Thomas H. Averett
David J. Bailey
James M. H. Beale
Thomas M. Bibbhaugh
Thomas S. Bocoock
Obadiah Bowne
John Bragg

Mr. George Briggs
Albert G. Brown
Joseph Cable
Joseph P. Caldwell
John S. Caskie
Lincoln Clark
Sherrard Clemens
William F. Colcock
Joseph S. Cottman
William Cullom

Mr. John F. Darby
John G. Davis
Gilbert Dean
Cyrus L. Dunham
Henry A. Edmundson
Presley Ewing
Charles J. Faulkner
Orlando B. Ficklin
Thomas B. Florence
James M. Gaylord

Mr. Meredith P. Gentry
 Alfred Gilmore
 Frederick W. Green
 Alexander Harper
 Isham G. Harris
 Sampson W. Harris
 Solomon G. Haven
 Thomas A. Hendricks
 Harry Hibbard
 Junius Hillyer
 George S. Houston
 John W. Howe
 Colin M. Ingersoll
 Willard Ives
 Joseph W. Jackson
 Timothy Jenkins
 Andrew Johnson
 Daniel T. Jones
 George W. Jones
 J. Glancy Jones

Mr. Preston King
 Joseph H. Kuhns
 William H. Kurtz
 John Letcher
 Edward P. Little
 James Lockhart
 John C. Mason
 James K. McLanahan
 John McNair
 Richard K. Meade
 John G. Miller
 John S. Millson
 Charles Murphy
 William Murray
 Benjamin D. Nabers
 James L. Orr
 Andrew Parker
 John S. Phelps
 William H. Polk
 Paulus Powell

Mr. Rodman M. Price
 Isaac Reed
 John Robbins, jr.
 Reuben Robie
 John L. Robinson
 Richardson Scurry
 Charles Skelton
 Ephraim K. Smart
 William R. Smith
 Frederick P. Stanton
 Abr'm P. Stephens
 James W. Stone
 Nathan T. Stratton
 Albert G. Watkins
 John Welch
 John Wells
 John A. Wilcox
 Isaac Wildrick
 Christopher H. Williams
 Richard Yates.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
 Willis Allen
 John Appleton
 Leander Babcock
 Nelson Barrere
 Hiram Bell
 Henry Bennett
 Samuel Brenton
 James Brooks
 George H. Brown
 Lorenzo Burrows
 Armistead Burt
 George H. Busby
 Lewis D. Campbell
 David K. Cartter
 Joseph R. Chandler
 Charles Chapman
 Elijah W. Chastain
 Williamson R. W. Cobb
 John L. Dawson
 Milo M. Dimmick
 Alfred Dockery
 James Duane Doty
 James H. Duncan
 Ben. C. Eastman

Mr. Alfred P. Edgerton
 Francis B. Fay
 John G. Floyd
 John D. Freeman
 Thomas J. D. Fuller
 Joshua R. Giddings
 Robert Goodenow
 John Z. Goodrich
 Willis A. Gorman
 Willard P. Hall
 Edward Hammond
 Emanuel B. Hart
 Augustus P. Hascall
 Jerediah Horsford
 Thomas Y. How, jr.
 James Johnson
 John Johnson
 George G. King
 J. Aristide Landry
 Horace Mann
 Frederick S. Martin
 Fayette McMullen
 James Meacham
 Henry D. Moore
 John Moore

Mr. John A. Morrison
 Eben Newton
 David Outlaw
 Samuel W. Parker
 Alexander G. Penn
 Ebenezer J. Penniman
 Gilchrist Porter
 William Preston
 Thomas Ross
 William A. Sackett
 Marius Schoonmaker
 Zeno Scudder
 David L. Seymour
 Edward Stanly
 Benjamin Stanton
 Richard H. Stanton
 Alexander H. Stephens
 Louis St. Martin
 Charles E. Stuart
 Josiah Sutherland
 John L. Taylor
 Benjamin B. Thurston
 Robert Toombs
 Amos Tuck
 Henry S. Walbridge.

So the House refused to suspend the rules.

Mr. Jenkins having called up the motion—heretofore submitted by him—to reconsider the vote by which the Committee on Private Land Claims were discharged from the further consideration of the petition of the trustees of the Monticello Academy, and the same referred to the Committee on Public Lands, the House proceeded to the consideration of the same.

After debate,

Mr. Albert G. Brown moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurred on the motion to reconsider.

And being put,

It was decided in the affirmative.

The question then recurring upon the original motion of Mr. A. G. Brown, to discharge the Committee on Private Land Claims, &c.,

On motion of Mr. Jenkins,

The said motion was laid on the table.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickens, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a bill of the following title, viz: S. 547. An act authorizing the adjustment and payment of the claims of William Hazzard Wigg, deceased, for losses sustained by him during the war of the revolution; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Isham G. Harris moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move that the bill of the Senate (No. 193) "for the relief of Robert Armstrong," be taken from the Speaker's table; which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Miller moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move that the bill of the Senate (No. 493) entitled "An act for the relief of Brown, Russell, & Co.," be taken from the Speaker's table; which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

On motion of Mr. Stratton, the rules having been suspended for that purpose, the bill of the Senate (No. 487) entitled "An act for the relief of Abigail Stafford," was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

The rule requiring the commitment of the said bill having been suspended,

Ordered, That it be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Stratton moved that the vote by which the said bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Clark, by unanimous consent, introduced a bill (No. 346) "to grant a certain quantity of land to the State of Iowa, for the purpose of aiding said State in the construction of a railroad from Davenport, via Muscatine, to Council Bluffs, on the Missouri river, in said State;" which was read a first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Mr. McLanahan moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to report from the Committee on the Judiciary a bill, in addition to the several acts for regulating processes in the courts of the United States; which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

On motion of Mr. Harper, by unanimous consent, the bill of the Senate (No. 302) entitled "An act granting a pension to Mrs. Ann C. Belknap," was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Ordered. That the said bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Harper moved that the vote by which the said bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Washburn, the rules having been suspended for that purpose, moved that the bill of the Senate (No. 341) entitled "An act for the relief of Nathan Weston, jr., late additional paymaster in the United States army," be taken from the Speaker's table; which motion was agreed to, and the bill read a first and second time.

The rule requiring its commitment having been suspended,

Ordered, That the bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Washburn moved that the vote by which the said bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Gorman, the rules having been suspended for that purpose, from the Committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred the bill of the Senate (No. 150) entitled "An act for the relief of Frances P. Gardiner," reported the same with an amendment.

And the question being put on agreeing to the said amendment, it was decided in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the said bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the said amendment.

Mr. Cartter, by unanimous consent, from the Committee on Patents, reported a bill (No. 345) regulating the reports of the Patent Office, and providing for additional officers therein; which was read a first and second time.

Mr. George W. Jones moved that it be referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, and printed.

After debate,

Mr. Cartter moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Shall the said bill be committed and printed?

And it was decided in the negative.

Under the further operation of the previous question, the bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time.

The question then being on its passage,

Mr. Stuart moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Shall the bill pass?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

So the bill was passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Mr. Cartter moved that the vote by which the said bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Alexander H. Stephens moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to submit the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That from the commencement of the present session of Congress, and hereafter, there be paid out of the contingent fund of the House to the chief reporter for the Congressional Globe the sum of

eighteen hundred dollars (\$1,800) per annum, and to each of his associate reporters, not to exceed six in number, the sum of sixteen hundred dollars (\$1,600) per annum: *Provided*, That the sum of seven dollars and fifty cents per column, now paid to John C. Rives, for reporting and publishing the debates of this House, be, and the same hereby is, reduced to four dollars per column.

And the question being put, it was decided in the negative—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Stuart moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move that Monday and Tuesday, the 7th and 8th of February next, be set apart for the consideration of territorial business, and to the exclusion of all other business, until the same is disposed of; which motion was agreed to—two-thirds voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Stuart accordingly submitted his aforesaid motion.

Mr. Robert W. Johnson moved to amend the same, by striking out "Monday and Tuesday, the 7th and 8th," and inserting, in lieu thereof, "*Tuesday and Wednesday, the 8th and 9th;*" which motion was agreed to.

And then, under the operation of the previous question, the said motion, as amended, was agreed to—two-thirds voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Dunham moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move that the joint resolution of the Senate (No. 51) entitled "A resolution for the relief of the heir of John De Neufville and son," be taken from the Speaker's table; which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Houston moved that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; which motion was disagreed to.

On motion of Mr. Robert W. Johnson, by unanimous consent, the bill of the Senate (No. 371) entitled "An act to confer on John W. Quinney, a member of the Stockbridge tribe of Indians, the rights of citizenship of the United States, and for other purposes," was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Pending the question on its third reading,

Mr. Robert W. Johnson moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put; and under the operation thereof the said bill was ordered to be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time.

Pending the question on its passage,

Mr. Robert W. Johnson moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put;

Pending which,

On motion of Robert W. Johnson, by unanimous consent, the said bill was amended by striking out so much thereof as confers upon the said Quinney the rights of citizenship.

The question was then put, Shall the bill pass?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Robert W. Johnson,

Ordered, That the title of the said bill be amended so as to read "An act for the relief of John W. Quinney, a Stockbridge Indian."

Mr. Washburn, the rules having been suspended for that purpose moved that the bill of the Senate (No. 341) entitled "An act for relief of Nathan Weston, jr., late additional paymaster in the United States army," be taken from the Speaker's table; which motion was agreed to, and the bill read a first and second time.

The rule requiring its commitment having been suspended,

Ordered, That the bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Washburn moved that the vote by which the said bill passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Gorman, the rules having been suspended for that purpose, the Committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred the bill of the Senate (No. 150) entitled "An act for the relief of Frances P. Cooper," reported the same with an amendment.

And the question being put on agreeing to the said amendment, decided in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the said bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the said amendment.

Mr. Cartter, by unanimous consent, from the Committee on Patents reported a bill (No. 345) regulating the reports of the Patent Office providing for additional officers therein; which was read a first and second time.

Mr. George W. Jones moved that it be referred to the Committee on the Whole House on the state of the Union, and printed.

After debate,

Mr. Cartter moved the previous question; which was seconded. The main question ordered and put, viz: Shall the said bill be reported and printed?

And it was decided in the negative.

Under the further operation of the previous question, the bill ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time.

The question then being on its passage,

Mr. Stuart moved the previous question; which was seconded. The main question ordered and put, viz: Shall the bill pass?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

So the bill was passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Mr. Cartter moved that the vote by which the said bill passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Alexander H. Stephens moved that the rules be suspended to enable him to submit the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That from the commencement of the present Congress, and hereafter, there be paid out of the contingent fund of the House to the chief reporter for the Congressional Globe

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the said amendments.

Mr. Henn, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee did, on the 22d instant, present to the President of the United States bills of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 151. An act for the relief of the heirs of William McFarland, deceased;

H. R. 171. An act for the relief of Thomas P. Dudley;

H. R. 291. An act to amend an act entitled "An act for the discontinuance of the office of surveyor general in the several districts so soon as the surveys therein can be completed, for abolishing land offices under certain circumstances, and for other purposes;"

H. R. 296. An act for the relief of John J. Sykes;

H. R. 301. An act for the relief of Philo Smith.

A message in writing was received from the President of the United States, by Millard P. Fillmore, his private secretary, which was handed in at the Speaker's table; also, a message notifying the House that he did, on the 22d instant, approve and sign the bills of the House numbered 151, 171, 291, 296, and 301.

Mr. Wildrick, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined bills of the following titles, and found the same truly enrolled, viz:

H. R. 202. An act for the relief of the widow and orphan children of Colonel William R. McKee, late of Lexington, Kentucky;

H. R. 343. An act to erect at the capital of the nation an Equestrian Statue of Washington;

H. R. 135. An act for the relief of Charles S. Mathews, Charles Wood, and James Hall;

H. R. 163. An act for the relief of Jacob J. Storer;

H. R. 283. An act to extend the provisions of an act approved the 3d of March, 1847, and the act approved the 26th of February, 1849, for the carrying into effect the existing compacts with the States of Alabama and Mississippi in relation to the five-per-cent. fund and school reservations;

S. 369. An act to prohibit public executions in the District of Columbia; when,

The Speaker signed the same.

On motion of Mr. Sackett, the rules having been suspended for that purpose,

Ordered, That the House proceed to the consideration of such private bills on the Speaker's table as shall give rise to no debate, for the purpose of referring the same; when

Bills and joint resolutions of the Senate, of the following titles, viz:

S. 381. An act confirming the claim of the heirs of Joseph Thompson, senior, deceased, to a tract of land in Missouri;

S. 32. A resolution for supplying arms to the Washington Yagers and the Washington Boone Riflemen, in the District of Columbia;

S. 16. A resolution for the relief of Alexander Y. P. Garnett;

S. 19. A resolution for the relief of the heirs of David Corderey;

S. 187. An act for the relief of George G. Bishop, and the legal representatives of John Arnold, deceased;

S. 194. An act for the relief of Jacob Young;
 S. 195. An act for the relief of Margaret Farrar;
 S. 196. An act authorizing the legal representatives of Antoine Vasquez, Hypolite Vasquez, Joseph Vasquez, and John Colligan to enter certain lands in Missouri;
 S. 197. An act for the relief of the legal representatives of Martin Fenwick;
 S. 203. An act for the relief of David P. Weeks;
 S. 234. An act for the relief of James Glynn;
 S. 238. An act for the relief of Thompson Hutchinson;
 S. 239. An act for the relief of Elizabeth Jones, and the other children (if any) of John Carr;
 were severally read a first and second time, and referred as follows, viz:

S. 381 and 196 to the Committee on Private Land Claims;
 S. res. 32 to the Committee on Military Affairs;
 S. res. 19 to the Committee on Indian Affairs;
 S. 187 to the Committee on Patents;
 S. 197 to the Committee of Claims;
 S. 203 to the Committee on Invalid Pensions; and
 S. res. 16, S. 194, 195, 234, 238, and 239 to a Committee of the Whole House, and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

Mr. Polk moved, at 2 o'clock and 45 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

Bills and a joint resolution of the Senate of the following titles, viz:
 S. 244. An act for the relief of the heirs of the late Major Thomas Noel, United States army;

S. 245. An act for the relief of Don B. Juan Domercq, a Spanish subject;

S. 34. A resolution for the relief of Isaac Houston;
 S. 407. An act for the relief of Jim Capers;
 S. 98. An act for the relief of Sarah D. Mackay;
 S. 176. An act for the relief of William Bedient, late a sergeant in the fourth regiment of artillery;

S. 193. An act for the relief of Robert Armstrong; and
 S. 204. An act for the relief of Guion & McLaughlin;
 were severally read a first and second time, and referred as follows, viz:

S. 244, 407, 98, 176, 193, and 204 to a Committee of the Whole House, and made the order of the day for to-morrow;

S. 245 to the Committee of Claims; and
 S. res. 34 to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Mr. Frederick P. Stanton, by unanimous consent, from the Committee on Naval Affairs, to whom was referred the bill of the Senate (No. 70) entitled "An act for the relief of the widows and relatives of certain officers and seamen of the United States brig Washington, who were lost overboard in a hurricane," reported the same without amendment.

Ordered, That the said bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House, made the order of the day for to-morrow, and printed.

Mr. Bocock moved, at 3 o'clock p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

Bill of the Senate (No. 208) entitled "An act for the relief of Barbara Reily" was read a first and second time.

Mr. Orr moved that it be committed to a Committee of the Whole House, and made the order of the day for to-morrow;

Pending which,

Mr. Orr moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put; and under the operation thereof, the said motion to commit was agreed to.

And then,

On motion of Mr. McMullen,

At 3 o'clock and 5 minutes p. m. the House adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock m.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 1853.

The following petitions, memorials, and other papers were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Dockery: The petition of citizens of the State of North Carolina, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Gilchrist, or Mount Retire, to Blue's Bridge, in Richmond county, in said State.

By Mr. Hall: The petition of citizens of the State of Missouri, praying for a mail-route from Richmond to Gallatin, in said State.

By Mr. Hamilton: The petition of citizens of Cumberland, in the State of Maryland, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Cumberland to Robinsonville, in said State.

By Mr. Gaylord: The petition of citizens of the State of Ohio, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Barlow Cross Roads to Veto, in said State.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Schoonmaker: The petition of the heirs and legal representatives of John Winans, a soldier of the revolution, praying for commutation pay.

By Mr. Freeman: The petition of William Austin, praying that pensions be granted to the privateers of the war of 1812.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions.

By Mr. Reed: The petition of Isaac Allen, of the State of Maine, praying for increase of pension; which was referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. Henn: The petition of citizens of Decatur county, in the State of Iowa, praying for a grant of certain lands on which the county seat of said county is located; which was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Gorman: The application of John Frazer, of Orange county, Indiana, for the confirmation of a private land claim, or for damages for the default of the United States government; which was referred to the Committee on Private Land Claims.

By Mr. Walsh: The memorial of the jurors of the district court of

the State of Maryland, praying for the same compensation as is allowed the jurors in the circuit court; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Giddings: The petition of Isaac Cook, praying for indemnity for losses sustained by him in the pressing of his private property into the public service, during the war of 1812, by the United States government.

By Mr. Briggs: The petition of citizens of the State of New York, praying that measures may be taken to secure the freedom of conscience of American citizens in all foreign lands; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. William Appleton: The petition of citizens of the State of Massachusetts, praying that some measure be adopted by which the present want of silver change may be supplied.

By Mr. Howard: The petition of H. W. Bowman, of the United States army, praying extra compensation for extra services.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

By Mr. Scudder: The petition of citizens of the State of Massachusetts, praying that the hospital tax upon seamen be abolished, and that the law requiring that all crews of American ships shall be composed of at least two-thirds of American seamen, shall be repealed; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. Townshend: The petition of citizens of the State of Ohio, praying that the harbor at Erie, in said State, be improved; which was referred as above.

By Mr. Schermerhorn: The memorial of Dr. Hartwell Carver and his associates, for a charter to build a railroad from the Mississippi or Missouri river to the Pacific ocean; which was referred to the Committee on Roads and Canals.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a joint resolution of the following title, viz:

S. 58. A resolution for the relief of Rebecca J. Burdsall; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

The Speaker, by unanimous consent, laid before the House the following message—heretofore received from the President of the United States, viz;

To the House of Representatives of the United States:

In obedience to a resolution of your honorable body of December 27, 1852, in reference to claims of custom-house officers for additional pay, I have the honor, herewith, to transmit a report from the Secretary of the Treasury, giving the desired information; and, in answer to the seventh interrogatory, asking "whether, in my opinion, further legislation is necessary or advisable, either to protect the treasury from unjust claims or to secure to the claimants their just rights," I would state that, in my opinion, no further legislation is necessary to effect either object. My views on this subject will be more fully seen on reference

to an opinion given by me to the Secretary of the Treasury, a copy of of which is annexed to his report.

MILLARD FILLMORE.

WASHINGTON, *January 24, 1853.*

Ordered, That the said message and accompanying documents be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and printed.

Mr. Cobb moved that the vote by which the said message was referred and ordered to be printed, be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

The Speaker also, by unanimous consent, laid before the House sundry executive communications, viz:

I. A letter from the acting commissioner of customs, transmitting a statement of the accounts which have been due more than three years, prior to the 1st of July, 1852, on the books of the Register of the Treasury.

Ordered, That the said letter and accompanying documents be laid on the table and printed.

II. A letter from the acting Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting information relative to the claims of Passed Midshipman and Acting Master Pierce Crosby and Passed Midshipman Buckner to a share of a vessel and cargo, seized by Lieutenant Browning whilst commanding the United States schooner Petrel, and confiscated at the port of Tampico.

Ordered, That the said letter and accompanying documents be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means, and printed.

III. A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting a statement of the expenses of the national armories, and of the arms and appendages made and repaired thereat, during the year which ended 30th June, 1852.

Ordered, That the said letter and accompanying documents be laid on the table, and printed.

Mr. Darby, by unanimous consent, introduced a bill (No. 347) "granting the right of way to the St. Louis and Iron Mountain Railroad Company;" which was read a first and second time.

Mr. Darby moved to amend the same by adding at the end the following, viz:

Provided, That said location can be made without injury to the public interest, in the opinion of the said Secretary of War.

Which motion was agreed to.

The question then recurring on the engrossment of the bill, it was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

And, being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

The House then resumed, as the business first in order, the consideration of the bill of the House (No. 344) "to establish a branch of the mint of the United States in the city of New York"—heretofore re-

ported from the Committee of Ways and Means, and read a first time; the pending question being on its rejection.

After debate,

Mr. David L. Seymour moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put.

Pending the occupancy of the floor by the member who reported the said bill, the morning hour having expired,

Mr. Houston moved that the House proceed to the consideration of business on the Speaker's table;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair; and Mr. Albert G. Brown reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the bill of the House (No. 335) to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the service of the fiscal year ending the 30th of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three," had come to no resolution thereon.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickens, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have agreed to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the Senate (No. 477) entitled "An act to continue half-pay to certain widows and orphans."

And then he withdraw.

Mr. Stuart, by unanimous consent, reported, from the Committee on Territories, a bill (No. 348) "to establish the territorial government of Columbia;" which was read a first and second time, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Henn, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee presented, on this day, to the President of the United States, bills of the following titles, viz:

S. 369. An act to prohibit public executions in the District of Columbia;

H. R. 163. An act for the relief of Jacob J. Storer;

H. R. 135. An act for the relief of Charles S. Mathews, Charles Wood, and James Hall;

H. R. 202. An act for the relief of the widow and orphan children of Colonel William R. McKee, late of Lexington, Kentucky;

H. R. 343. An act to erect at the capital of the nation an Equestrian Statue of Washington;

H. R. 283. An act to extend the provisions of an act approved the 3d of March, 1847, and the act approved the 26th of February, 1849, for the carrying into effect the existing compacts with the States of Alabama and Mississippi in relation to the five-per-cent. fund and school reservations.

And then,

On motion of Mr. McMullen,

At 3 o'clock and 30 minutes p. m. the House adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock m.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26, 1853.

The following petitions, memorials, and other papers, were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Jackson: The petition of citizens of Thomas county, in the State of Georgia, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Thomasville, in said State, to Miccasoukie, in the State of Florida;

Also, the petition of citizens of the State of Georgia, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Thomasville to Bainbridge, in said State.

By Mr. Williams: The petition of citizens of the State of Tennessee, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Centreville to Butt's landing, on the Tennessee river.

By Mr. Brooks: The memorial of the proprietors of the New York and Havre mail-steamers, praying for additional aid.

By Mr. Fay: The petition of citizens of the State of Massachusetts, praying for a reduction of the rates of ocean postage.

By Mr. Olds: The petition of citizens of Suffolk county, in the State of Massachusetts, of like import with the foregoing;

Also, the memorial of the Cleveland, Painsville, and Ashtabula Railroad Company, praying that said road be declared a mail-route.

Ordered, That said petitions and memorial be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Daniel T. Jones: The petition of Margaret Dygort, praying for relief; which was referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Claims.

By Mr. Grey: The petition of Ben. Edwards Grey and others, praying for the passage of a resolution explanatory of the act granting land in aid of the construction of the Mobile and Ohio railroad.

By Mr. Bragg: The petition of citizens of the State of Alabama, remonstrating against the removal of the land office from Sparta, in said State.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Schoolcraft: The petition of Wendell & Van Benthuyssen; which was referred to the Committee on Printing.

By Mr. Wildrick: The petition of Ann Terwilliger, praying for relief.

By Mr. Albert G. Brown: Additional evidence in the claim of Alexander Lea.

By Mr. Wilcox: The petition of Richard Gott, praying that the Secretary of War be directed to settle and adjust his claim for services as clerk in his department according to the principles of justice and equity.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee of Claims.

By Mr. Churchwell: The petition of citizens of Knox county, in the State of Tennessee, praying for the payment to the States the fourth instalment of surplus revenue, under the act of June, 1836; which was referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

By Mr. Giddings: The petition of citizens of the State of Ohio,

praying for the settlement of national difficulties without war; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. Faulkner: The petition of citizens of Jefferson county, in the State of Virginia, praying that the usual amount of the appropriation for the manufacture of arms at the national armories be made.

By Mr. Churchwell: The petition of Thomas McConnell, praying for relief on account of the protracted sickness and death of his son, by disease contracted while in the military service of the United States, during the war with Mexico.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Penniman: The joint resolutions of the legislature of the State of Michigan, relative to the erection of certain light-houses on lakes Michigan and Superior.

By Mr. Ives: The petition of citizens of the State of New York, praying for the improvement of the harbor at Cape Vincent, in said State.

By Mr. Townshend: The petition of citizens of the State of Ohio, praying for the improvement of the harbor at Vermillion, in said State.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. Cable: The petition of the citizens of Stark county, in the State of Ohio, praying for the freedom of the public lands to actual settlers and cultivators; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

The House resumed, as the business first in order, the consideration of the bill of the House (No. 344) "to establish a branch of the mint of the United States in the city of New York"—heretofore reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, and read a first time; the pending question being on the rejection of the said bill.

The member reporting the bill having closed the debate,

The question was put, under the operation of the previous question, (ordered on yesterday,) Shall the bill be rejected? and

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 69
Nays 94

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
John Allison
Thomas M. Bibbighaus
John Bragg
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
Joseph R. Chandler
William M. Churchwell
Thomas L. Clingman
William Cullom
Carlton B. Curtis
George T. Davis
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Milo M. Dimmick
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Cyrus L. Dunham

Mr. Ben. C. Eastman
Henry A. Edmundson
Alexander Evans
Francis B. Fay
Orlando B. Ficklin
Thomas B. Florence
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James Gamble
Joshua R. Giddings
Alfred Gilmore
Robert Goodenow
Edward Hammond
Alexander Harper
Isam G. Harris
Sampson W. Harris
Thomas A. Hendricks
Junius Hillyer
Alexander R. Holladay

Mr. John W. Howe
Thomas M. Howe
Joseph W. Jackson
John Johnson
George W. Jones
J. Glancy Jones
William H. Kurtz
John Letcher
Horace Mann
John C. Mason
James X. McLanahan
Fayette McMullen
John McNair
John S. Millson
Henry D. Moore
John A. Morrison
James L. Orr
Andrew Parker

Mr. Paulus Powell
John Robbins, jr.
Thomas Ross
John H. Savage
Charles Skelton

Mr. Benjamin Stanton
Louis St. Martin
Nathan T. Stratton
Robert Toombs
Amos Tuck

Mr. Abraham W. Venable
Thomas Y. Walsh
Isaac Wildrick
Christopher H. Williams
Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Willis Allen
William Appleton
William S. Ashe
Leander Babcock
Nelson Barrere
Thomas Bartlett, jr.
Henry Bennett
Richard I. Bowie
Obadiah Bowne
George Briggs
James Brooks
Albert G. Brown
George H. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
Joseph P. Caldwell
Lewis D. Campbell
Thompson Campbell
Charles Chapman
Elijah W. Chastain
Williamson R. W. Cobb
John F. Darby
Gilbert Dean
Alfred Dockery
Charles Durkee
Alfred P. Edgerton
John G. Floyd
John D. Freeman
James M. Gaylord
John Z. Goodrich
Willis A. Gorman
Ben. Edwards Grey
Willard P. Hall

Mr. Emanuel B. Hart
John H. H. Haws
Augustus P. Hascall
Solomon G. Haven
Bernhart Henn
Harry Hibbard
Jerediah Horsford
George S. Houston
Thomas Y. How, jr.
Colin M. Ingersoll
Willard Ives
Timothy Jenkins
Robert W. Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George G. King
Preston King
Edward P. Little
James Lockhart
Frederick S. Martin
James Meacham
Ahiman L. Miner
Richard S. Molony
James T. Morehead
William Murray
Benjamin D. Nabers
Edson B. Olds
David Outlaw
Alexander G. Penn
Ebenezer J. Penniman
John S. Phelps
William H. Polk

Mr. William Preston
Rodman M. Price
William A. Richardson
Reuben Robie
John L. Robinson
Joseph Russell
William A. Sackett
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
John L. Schoolcraft
Marius Schoonmaker
David L. Seymour
Origen S. Seymour
Ephraim K. Smart
William R. Smith
William W. Snow
Edward Stanly
Frederick P. Stanton
Richard H. Stanton
Abr'm P. Stephens
Alexander H. Stephens
James W. Stone
Josiah Sutherland
Charles Sweetser
John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston
Henry S. Walbridge
William T. Ward
Albert G. Watkins
John Welch
John Wells
John A. Wilcox.

So the bill was not rejected.

The bill was then read a second time.

Pending the question on its engrossment,

Mr. Brooks moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put.

Pending which,

Mr. Goodenow moved that the bill be laid on the table.

And the question being put,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 78
Nays..... 96

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
John Allison
Thomas H. Averett
David J. Bailey
James M. H. Beale
Thomas M. Bibighaus
John Bragg
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
Lewis D. Campbell

Mr. Joseph R. Chandler
William F. Colcock
Carlton B. Curtis
George T. Davis
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Milo M. Dimmick
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Cyrus L. Dunham

Mr. Ben. C. Eastman
Henry A. Edmundson
Alexander Evans
Charles J. Faulkner
Francis B. Fay
Orlando B. Ficklin
Thomas B. Florence
Henry M. Fuller
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James Gamble

Mr. Joshua R. Giddings	Mr. William H. Kurtz	Mr. Thomas Ross
Alfred Gilmore	John Letcher	John H. Savage
Robert Goodenow	Horace Mann	Charles Skelton
Edward Hammond	John C. Mason	Benjamin Stanton
Isam G. Harris	James X. McLanahan	Louis St. Martin
Sampson W. Harris	Fayette McMullen	Nathan T. Stratton
Thomas A. Hendricks	John McNair	Robert Toombs
Junius Hillyer	John S. Millson	Norton S. Townshend
Alexander E. Holladay	Henry D. Moore	Amos Tuck
John W. Howe	John Moore	Abraham W. Venable
Thomas M. Howe	James T. Morehead	Daniel Wallace
Joseph W. Jackson	John A. Morrison	Thomas Y. Walsh
Andrew Johnson	James L. Orr	Alexander White
John Johnson	Andrew Parker	Isaac Wildrick
George W. Jones	Paulus Powell	Christopher H. Williams
J. Glancy Jones	John Robbins, jr.	Joseph A. Woodward

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie	Mr. Willis A. Gorman	Mr. John S. Phelps
Willis Allen	Ben. Edwards Grey	William Preston
William Appleton	Emanuel B. Hart	Rodman M. Price
William S. Ashe	John H. H. Haws	William A. Richardson
Leander Babcock	Augustus P. Hascall	Reuben Robie
Nelson Barrere	Solomon G. Haven	John L. Robinson
Thomas Bartlett, jr	Harry Hibbard	Joseph Russell
Henry Bennett	Jerediah Horsford	William A. Sackett
Richard I. Bowie	George S. Houston	Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
Obadiah Bowne	Volney E. Howard	John L. Schoolcraft
Samuel Brenton	Thomas Y. How, jr.	Marius Schoonmaker
George Briggs	Colin M. Ingersoll	David L. Seymour
James Brooks	Willard Ives	Origen S. Seymour
Albert G. Brown	Timothy Jenkins	Ephraim K. Smart
Lorenzo Burrows	James Johnson	William R. Smith
Joseph P. Caldwell	Daniel T. Jones	William W. Snow
Thompson Campbell	George G. King	Edward Stanly
Charles Chapman	Preston King	Frederick P. Stanton
Elijah W. Chastain	J. Aristide Landry	Richard H. Stanton
William M. Churchwell	Edward P. Little	Abr'm P. Stephens
Lincoln Clark	James Lockhart	Alexander H. Stephens
Sherrard Clemens	Frederick S. Martin	Charles E. Stuart
Williamson R. W. Cobb	James Meacham	Josiah Sutherland
James L. Conger	Abimam L. Miner	Charles Sweetser
John F. Darby	Richard S. Molony	John L. Taylor
Gilbert Dean	William Murray	Benjamin B. Thurston
Alfred P. Edgerton	Benjamin D. Nabers	Henry S. Walbridge
John G. Floyd	Eben Newton	William T. Ward
John D. Freeman	Edson B. Olds	Albert G. Watkins
James M. Gaylord	David Outlaw	John Welch
Meredith P. Gentry	Alexander G. Penn	John Wells
John Z. Goodrich	Ebenezer J. Penniman	John A. Wilcox.

So the House refused to lay the bill on the table.

The question was then put, under the operation of the previous question, Shall the bill be engrossed and read a third time? and

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 87
Nays 90

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie	Mr. Thomas Bartlett, jr.	Mr. Albert G. Brown
Willis Allen	Henry Bennett	Lorenzo Burrows
William Appleton	Richard I. Bowie	Joseph P. Caldwell
William S. Ashe	Obadiah Bowne	Thompson Campbell
Leander Babcock	Samuel Brenton	Charles Chapman
Nelson Barrere	James Brooks	Lincoln Clark

Mr. Williamson R. W. Cobb	Mr Willard Ives	Mr. Joseph Russell
James L. Conger	Timothy Jenkins	William A. Sackett
John F. Darby	Robert W. Johnson	Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
Gilbert Dean	Daniel T. Jones	John L. Schoolcraft
James Duane Doty	George G. King	Marius Schoonmaker
John G. Floyd	Preston King	David L. Seymour
John D. Freeman	Edward P. Little	Origen S. Seymour
James M. Gaylord	James Lockhart	Ephraim K. Smart
Meredith P. Gentry	Frederick S. Martin	William R. Smith
John Z. Goodrich	James Meacham	William W. Snow
Willis A. Gorman	Ahiman L. Miner	Frederick P. Stanton
Ben. Edwards Grey	Richard S. Molony	Richard H. Stanton
Willard P. Hall	William Murray	Abr'm P. Stephens
Emanuel B. Hart	Benjamin D. Nabers	Alexander H. Stephens
John H. H. Haws	Edson B. Olds	Charles E. Stuart
Augustus P. Hascall	Alexander G. Penn	Josiah Sutherland
Solomon G. Haven	Ebenezer J. Penniman	Charles Sweetser
Bernhart Henn	John S. Phelps	John L. Taylor
Harry Hibbard	William Preston	Benjamin B. Thurston
Jerediah Horsford	William A. Richardson	Henry S. Walbridge
Volney E. Howard	George Read Riddle	William T. Ward
Thomas Y. How, jr.	Reuben Robie	John Wells
Colin M. Ingersoll	John L. Robinson	John A. Wilcox.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Charles Allen	Mr. James Gamble	Mr. John Moore
John Allison	Joshua R. Giddings	James T. Morehead
Thomas H. Averett	Alfred Gilmore	John A. Morrison
James M. H. Beale	Robert Goodenow	Charles Murphy
John Bragg	Edward Hammond	Eben Newton
George Briggs	Alexander Harper	James L. Orr
George H. Busby	Isham G. Harris	David Outlaw
Joseph Cable	Sampeon W. Harris	Andrew Parker
Lewis D. Campbell	Thomas A. Hendricks	Gilchrist Porter
Joseph R. Chandler	Junius Hillyer	Paulus Powell
Elijah W. Chastain	Alexander R. Holladay	Isaac Reed
William M. Churchwell	John W. Howe	John Robbins, jr.
Sherrard Clemens	Thomas M. Howe	Thomas Ross
Thomas L. Clingman	Joseph W. Jackson	John H. Savage
William F. Colcock	Andrew Johnson	Charles Skelton
Carlton B. Curtis	James Johnson	Benjamin Stanton
John G. Davis	John Johnson	Louis St. Martin
John L. Dawson	George W. Jones	Nathan T. Stratton
Milo M. Dimmick	J. Glancy Jones	Robert Toombs
Alfred Dockery	William H. Kurtz	Norton S. Townshend
James H. Duncan	J. Aristide Landry	Amos Tuck
Cyrus L. Dunham	John Letcher	Abraham W. Venable
Ben. C. Eastman	Horace Mann	Daniel Wallace
Henry A. Edmundson	Edward C. Marshall	Thomas Y. Walsh
Charles J. Faulkner	John C. Mason	Albert G. Watkins
Francis B. Fay	James K. McLanahan	John Welch
Orlando B. Ficklin	Fayette McMullen	Isaac Wildrick
Thomas B. Florence	John McNair	Christopher H. Williams
Henry M. Fuller	John S. Milledon	Joseph A. Woodward
Thomas J. D. Fuller	Henry D. Moore	Richard Yates.

So the House refused to order the said bill to be engrossed and read a third time.

Mr. Briggs moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered.

Pending which,

Mr. Dawson moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table.

And the question being put on the latter motion,

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 91
Nays 83

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
John Allison
Thomas H. Averett
James M. H. Beale
John Bragg
George H. Brown
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
John S. Caskie
Joseph R. Chandler
Elijah W. Chastain
William M. Churchwell
Lincoln Clark
Sherrard Clemens
Thomas L. Clingman
William F. Colcock
Carlton B. Curtis
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Milo M. Dimmick
Alfred Dockery
Cyrus L. Dunham
Ben. C. Eastman
Charles J. Faulkner
Francis B. Fay
Orlando B. Ficklin
Thomas B. Florence
Henry M. Fuller
James Gamble

Mr. Joshua R. Giddings
Alfred Gilmore
Robert Goodenow
Willis A. Gorman
Edward Hammond
Alexander Harper
Isaham G. Harris
Sampson W. Harris
Thomas A. Hendricks
Junius Hillyer
Alexander R. Holladay
John W. Howe
Thomas M. Howe
Joseph W. Jackson
Andrew Johnson
James Johnson
John Johnson
George W. Jones
J. Glancy Jones
William H. Kurtz
J. Aristide Landry
John Letcher
Horace Mann
Edward C. Marshall
John C. Mason
James K. McLanahan
Fayette McMullen
John McNair
Richard K. Meade
John S. Millaon

Mr. Henry D. Moore
John Moore
James T. Morehead
John A. Morrison
Charles Murphy
James L. Orr
David Outlaw
Andrew Parker
Gilchrist Porter
Paulus Powell
Isaac Reed
John Robbins, jr.
Thomas Ross
John H. Savage
Charles Skelton
Benjamin Stanton
Louis St. Martin
Nathan T. Stratton
Robert Toombs
Norton S. Townshend
Amos Tuck
Abraham W. Venable
Daniel Wallace
Thomas Y. Walsh
Albert G. Watkins
John Welch
Isaac Wildrick
Christopher H. Williams
Joseph A. Woodward
Richard Yates.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
Willis Allen
William Appleton
William S. Ashe
Leander Babcock
Nelson Barrere
Thomas Bartlett, jr.
Henry Bennett
Richard I. Bowie
Obadiah Bowne
John C. Breckinridge
Samuel Brenton
George Briggs
James Brooks
Albert G. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
Joseph P. Caldwell
Thompson Campbell
Charles Chapman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
James L. Conger
Gilbert Dean
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Alfred P. Edgerton
John G. Floyd
John D. Freeman
James M. Gaylord

Mr. Meredith P. Gentry
Ben. Edwards Grey
Willard P. Hall
Emanuel B. Hart
John H. H. Haws
Augustus P. Hascall
Solomon G. Haven
Bernhart Henn
Harry Hibbard
Jerediah Horsford
George S. Houston
Thomas Y. How, jr.
Colin M. Ingersoll
Willard Ives
Timothy Jenkins
Robert W. Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George G. King
Preston King
Edward P. Little
James Lockhart
Frederick S. Martin
James Meacham
Ahiman L. Miner
Richard S. Molony
William Murray
Edson B. Olds
Alexander G. Penn

Mr. Ebenezer J. Penniman
John S. Phelps
William H. Polk
Rodman M. Price
William A. Richardson
Reuben Robie
Joseph Russell
William A. Sackett
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
John L. Schoolcraft
Marius Schoonmaker
David L. Seymour
Ephraim K. Smart
William W. Snow
Frederick P. Stanton
Richard H. Stanton
Abr'm P. Stephens
Alexander H. Stephens
Charles E. Stuart
Josiah Sutherland
Charles Sweetser
John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston
Henry S. Walbridge
William T. Ward
John Wells
John A. Wilcox.

So the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Mr. Wildrick, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined bills of the following titles, and found the same truly enrolled, viz :

S. 302. An act granting a petition to Mrs. Ann C. Belknap ;

S. 341. An act for the relief of Nathan Weston, jr., late additional paymaster in the United States army ;

S. 150. An act for the relief of Francis P. Gardiner ;

S. 487. An act for the relief of Abigail Stafford ; when

The Speaker signed the said bills.

Mr. Houston moved that the House proceed to the consideration of the business on the Speaker's table ; which motion was disagreed to.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union ; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Albert G. Brown reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the bill of the House (No. 335) "to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the service of the fiscal year ending the 30th of June, 1853," had come to no resolution thereon.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickens, their secretary :

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have agreed to the amendments of this House to the bill of the Senate (No. 150) entitled "An act for the relief of Frances P. Gardiner."

The Senate have passed a bill of this House (No. 326) entitled "An act to prevent frauds upon the treasury of the United States," with amendments ; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Houston, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That a letter addressed to the Committee of Ways and Means by the Secretary of War, relative to two new military posts at the republican fork of the Kansas river and the upper Minnesota river, &c., be printed.

Mr. Stanly, by unanimous consent, presented sundry papers, accompanying a report of the Secretary of the Navy, in relation to the loss of the United States steamer Edith, &c. ; which were referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

And then,

On motion of Mr. John G. Davis,

At 3 o'clock and 45 minutes p. m. the House adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock m.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27, 1853.



The following petitions and other papers were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit :

By Mr. Preston King : The petition of citizens of the State of New York, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Little Falls, in Herkimer county, to Graysville, in said State.

By Mr. Reed : The petition of citizens of the State of Maine, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Waldoboro' to Friendship, in said State ;

Also, the petition of citizens of the State of Maine, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from New Castle to Pemaquid, in said State.

By Mr. Conger : The petition of citizens of the State of Michigan, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Ontonagon to Big Bull falls, in the State of Wisconsin.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Bayly : The petition of the heirs and legal representatives of Lazarus Harman, praying for bounty land and other relief for revolutionary services ; which was referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Claims.

By Mr. Ives : The petition of citizens of the State of New York, praying for the improvement of the harbor of Cape Vincent, on Lake Ontario, in said State ; also, for a grant of public land to aid in the construction of a ship-canal from Lake Erie to Lake Ontario, in said State.

By Mr. Henn : The resolution of the legislature of the State of Iowa, praying for the establishment of an additional land office in the northern part of said State.

Ordered, That said petition and resolution be referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Bayly : Additional evidence in the claim of the heirs and legal representatives of Francis Cazeau ; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Ficklin : The petition of citizens of the District of Columbia, praying for the improvement of Third street, between Virginia avenue and the Eastern Branch ;

Also, the petition of citizens of Washington city, praying for the repairing or rebuilding the Long Bridge across the Potomac river ; which was referred to the Committee for the District of Columbia.

By Mr. Giddings : The petition of citizens of the State of Maine, praying for the settlement of all national disputes with foreign nations without war ; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. Bayly : The petition of citizens of the State of Virginia interested in the navigation of York river, praying that a light-boat be placed at York Spit, at the mouth of said river ; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. Phelps, from the Committee of Ways and Means, reported a bill

(No. 349) "making appropriations for the transportation of the United States mail, by ocean steamers and otherwise, during the fiscal year ending the 30th of June, 1854;" which was read a first and second time, committed to the Committee of the Whole on the state of the Union, and, together with certain documents relative thereto, ordered to be printed.

Mr. Houston, from the same committee, reported a bill (No. 350) "making appropriations for the service of the Post Office Department during the fiscal year ending the 30th of June, 1854;" which was read a first and second time, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Stanly, from the same committee, to whom was referred the bill of the House (No. 277) "to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to deposit with the several States the fourth instalment of the deposits of the public money directed to be made with said States by the act approved June 23, 1836," reported the same, with a recommendation that it do not pass.

Mr. Stanly moved that the said bill be committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, and printed;

Pending which,

Mr. Sweetser moved that the bill be laid on the table.

And the question being put,

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 106
Nays..... • 59

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie

Charles Allen
Willis Allen
Thomas H. Averett
David J. Bailey
Thomas H. Bayly
Thomas Bartlett, jr.
James M. H. Beale
Thomas S. Bocock
John Bragg
Albert G. Brown
Joseph Cable
David K. Cartter
John S. Caskie
Elijah W. Chastain
William M. Churchwell
Lincoln Clark
Sherrard Clemens
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
William F. Colcock
Carlton B. Curtis
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick
David T. Disney
James Duane Doty
Cyrus L. Dunham
Charles Durkee
Ben. C. Eastman
Alfred P. Edgerton

Mr. Charles J. Faulkner

Orlando B. Ficklin
Thomas B. Florence
John G. Floyd
John D. Freeman
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James M. Gaylord
Joshua R. Giddings
Alfred Gilmore
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Willard P. Hall
William T. Hamilton
Isham G. Harris
Sampson W. Harris
Emanuel B. Hart
Bernhart Henn
Junius Hillyer
Alexander R. Holladay
George S. Houston
Volney E. Howard
Thomas Y. How, jr.
Colin M. Ingersoll
Willard Ives
Joseph W. Jackson
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
James Johnson
Robert W. Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George W. Jones
J. Glancy Jones

Mr. Preston King

William H. Kurtz
John Letcher
James Lockhart
Daniel Mace
Horace Mann
John C. Mason
James X. McLanahan
John S. Millson
Richard S. Molony
Charles Murphy
William Murray
Benjamin D. Nabers
James L. Orr
Andrew Parker
John S. Phelps
Paulus Powell
William A. Richardson
George Read Riddle
John Robbins, jr.
Reuben Robie
Thomas Ross
David L. Seymour
Origen S. Seymour
Charles Skelton
Ephraim K. Smart
William R. Smith
William W. Snow
Richard H. Stanton
Abr'm P. Stephens
Alexander H. Stephens
Louis St. Martin

Mr. Nathan T. Stratton
Charles E. Stuart
Josiah Sutherland
Charles Sweetser

Mr. Robert Toombs
Abraham W. Venable
Daniel Wallace

Mr. John A. Wilcox
Isaac Wildrick
Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. William Appleton
Nelson Barrere
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibighaus
Richard I. Bowie
Obadiah Bowne
Samuel Brenton
George H. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
Joseph P. Caldwell
Lewis D. Campbell
Joseph R. Chandler
Charles Chapman
Joseph S. Cottman
William Cullom
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
Alfred Dockery
James H. Duncan
Presley Ewing

Mr. Francis B. Fay
Henry M. Fuller
Meredith P. Gentry
Robert Goodenow
Alexander Harper
Solomon G. Haven
Jeremiah Horsford
John W. Howe
Thomas M. Howe
George G. King
Joseph H. Kuhns
J. Aristide Landry
Edward P. Little
Frederick S. Martin
James Meacham
John G. Miller
Henry D. Moore
John Moore
James T. Morehead
Eben Newton

Mr. David Outlaw
Samuel W. Parker
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Jared Perkins
Gilchrist Porter
William A. Sackett
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
Marius Schoonmaker
Edward Stanly
Benjamin Stanton
John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston
Amos Tuck
Thomas Y. Walsh
Albert G. Watkins
John Welch
John Wells
Addison White
Christopher H. Williams.

So the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Stanly having called up the motion submitted by him, to print the bill,

The Speaker decided that the effect of the vote to lay the bill on the table had been to lay upon the table the motion to print, and all other motions connected therewith; it was too late, therefore, to call up the motion to print.

From this decision of the Chair, Mr. Stanly appealed.

When,

On motion of Mr. Orr, the said appeal was laid on the table.

Mr. Sweetser moved that the vote by which the bill was laid on the table be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a bill and joint resolution of the following titles, viz:

S. 579. An act to extend to real and mixed actions the provisions of the thirty-first section of the judiciary act;

S. 73. A resolution for the relief of the owners of the brig Kate Boyd; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The Senate have agreed to the amendments of this House to the bill (S. 371) entitled "An act to confer on John W. Quinney, a member of the Stockbridge tribe of Indians, the rights of citizenship of the United States, and for other purposes."

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Wildrick, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, a bill of the following title, viz:

S. 371. An act for the relief of John W. Quinney, a Stockbridge Indian; when

The Speaker signed the same.

Mr. Gorman, from the Committee on Printing, to whom was referred the question of printing extra copies of the annual report of the Secretary of the Treasury on the state of the finances, made a report thereon, recommending "that there be printed thirteen thousand extra copies of said report, and that two thousand copies of that portion of the report relating exclusively to the fisheries be printed separately."

And the question being put, under the operation of the previous question, Will the House agree to the said report?

It was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Gorman, from the same committee, to whom was referred the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That there be printed, for the use of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, one thousand copies of the supplement to the annual report of said Commissioner, for the year 1852-'53: made a report thereon.

And the question being put, Will the House agree to the said resolution?

It was decided in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Albert G. Brown reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the bill of the House (No. 335) "to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1853," had directed him to report the same with sundry amendments.

The Speaker stated the question to be on agreeing to the said amendments;

Pending which,

Mr. Houston moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put.

The *first* amendment was read and agreed to.

The *second* amendment was then read, as follows, viz:

Add at the end of the twenty-ninth line: "Out of which the Superintendent of the Census shall be allowed a compensation, at the rate of \$3,000 per annum, from the time his salary as secretary of the Census Board ceases."

And the question being put, Will the House agree thereto?

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas 92
Nays 63

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
John Allison
William Appleton
William S. Ashe
Leander Babcock
Nelson Barrere
Thomas M. Bibbighaus
Richard I. Bowie
Samuel Brenton
George H. Brown

Mr. Lorenzo Burrows
Joseph Cable
Joseph P. Caldwell
Lewis D. Campbell
Joseph R. Chandler
Charles Chapman
Lincoln Clark
Thomas L. Clingman
James L. Conger
Joseph S. Cottman

Mr. William Cullom
Carlton B. Curtis
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Alfred Dockery
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Ben. C. Eastman

Mr. Alfred P. Edgerton
 Henry A. Edmundson
 Charles J. Faulkner
 Francis B. Fay
 Thomas B. Florence
 John D. Freeman
 James Gamble
 James M. Gaylord
 Joshua R. Giddings
 Alfred Gilmore
 Robert Goodenow
 John Z. Goodrich
 Frederick W. Green
 Ben. Edwards Grey
 Galusha A. Grow
 John H. H. Haws
 Augustus P. Hascall
 Solomon G. Haven
 Jerediah Horsford
 Volney E. Howard
 John W. Howe

Mr. Thomas M. Howe
 Thomas Y. How, jr.
 Willard Ives
 Joseph W. Jackson
 Robert W. Johnson
 George G. King
 Joseph H. Kuhns
 William H. Kurtz
 J. Aristide Landry
 Edward P. Little
 Horace Mann
 Frederick S. Martin
 James Meacham
 John G. Miller
 Ahiman L. Miner
 Henry D. Moore
 John A. Morrison
 James L. Orr
 Andrew Parker
 Charles H. Peaslee
 Ebenezer J. Peniman

Mr. Jared Perkins
 Gilchrist Porter
 William Preston
 Rodman M. Price
 Isaac Reed
 Thomas Ross
 John L. Schoolcraft
 Frederick P. Stanton
 Richard H. Stanton
 Alexander H. Stephens
 James F. Strother
 Josiah Sutherland
 Charles Sweetser
 John L. Taylor
 Robert Toombs
 Henry S. Walbridge
 Thomas Y. Walsh
 Israel Washburn, jr.
 John Welch
 Richard Yates.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Thomas H. Averett
 David J. Bailey
 Thomas Bartlett, jr.
 James M. H. Beale
 John Bragg
 John C. Breckinridge
 John S. Caskie
 Sherrard Clemens
 Williamson R. W. Cobb
 William F. Colcock
 John G. Davis
 David T. Disney
 Cyrus L. Dunham
 Orlando B. Ficklin
 John G. Floyd
 Willard P. Hall
 Alexander Harper
 Iaham G. Harris
 Sampson W. Harris
 Emanuel B. Hart
 Thomas A. Hendricks

Mr. Harry Hibbard
 Alexander R. Holladay
 George S. Houston
 Collin M. Ingersoll
 Andrew Johnson
 George W. Jones
 J. Glancy Jones
 John Lecher
 James Lockhart
 John C. Mason
 Fayette McMullen
 John McNair
 John S. Millson
 Richard S. Molony
 John Moore
 James T. Morehead
 Charles Murphy
 William Murray
 Benjamin D. Nabers
 Eben Newton
 Edson B. Olds

Mr. David Outlaw
 Samuel W. Parker
 Alexander G. Penn
 John S. Phelps
 Paulus Powell
 William A. Richardson
 John Robbins, jr.
 Reuben Robie
 Joseph Russell
 Charles Skelton
 Benjamin Stanton
 Louis St. Martin
 Nathan T. Stratton
 Charles E. Stuart
 Benjamin B. Thurston
 Abraham W. Venable
 Daniel Wallace
 Albert G. Watkins
 John A. Wilcox
 Isaac Wildrick
 Joseph A. Woodward.

So the *second* amendment was agreed to.

All the remaining amendments were then severally read, and agreed to.

The question was then put, under the further operation of the previous question, Shall the bill be engrossed and read a third time?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time.

The question then being on its passage,

Mr. Houston moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Shall the bill pass?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

So the bill was passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Mr. Clingman moved that the vote by which the said bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to request of this House the return of the bill of the Senate (No. 477) entitled "An act to continue half-pay to certain widows and orphans."

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Cobb, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That the Clerk be directed to return to the Senate the said bill of the Senate, No. 477, as requested by the Senate.

Mr. Houston moved that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Robert W. Johnson,

At 3 o'clock and 15 minutes p. m. the House adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock m.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28, 1853.

The journal of yesterday having been read,

Mr. Stanly moved to amend the same by adding thereto the following, viz:

"Mr. Stanly, after moving to refer the bill and print, being still on the floor, withdrew the motion to refer, and made the motion to print.

"The Speaker said that would be in order.

"Mr. Stanly submitted the motion to print.

"Mr. Sweetser claimed the floor, and moved the bill be laid on the table.

"Mr. Stanly claimed the floor.

"The Speaker decided Mr. Sweetser was entitled to the floor to make the motion to lay the bill on the table, while Mr. Stanly was claiming it and had never yielded it."

After debate,

The question was put, Shall the journal be amended?

And it was decided in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

Ordered, That the journal of yesterday be amended by transposing his name from the negative to the affirmative on the motion of Mr. Sweetser to lay on the table the bill of the House No. 277.

The following petitions were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Babcock: The petition of Thomas C. Nye, of Madison county, in the State of New York, praying indemnity for damages sustained by him under a contract to carry the United States mail; which was referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Henry M. Fuller: The petition of Daniel Cressman, an invalid of the war of 1812, praying for a pension; which was referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. Jenkins: The petition of William A. Jacobs and Harrison Jacobs, praying to be granted the right to hold certain land scrip as assignees; which was referred to the Committee on Private Land Claims.

By Mr. Strother: The petition of citizens of the State of Virginia,

praying for the rebuilding the bridge across the Potomac river; which was referred to the Committee for the District of Columbia.

By Mr. Miller: The petition of Edward J. Noland, praying for indemnity for losses sustained at the battle of Sacramento, in Mexico, in 1847; which was referred to the Committee of Claims.

By Mr. Chandler: The petition of citizens and merchants of Philadelphia, in the State of Pennsylvania, praying for a modification of the law relative to the delivery of goods from ships upon which they were imported;

Also, the petition of merchants and importers of merchandise, citizens of Philadelphia, praying for a modification of the rule relative to the payment of excess of duties.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Commerce.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed bills of the following titles, viz:

S. 582. An act concerning bail in civil causes in the District of Columbia;

S. 598. An act to refund to the county of Lee, Iowa, certain expenses of the district court, which were paid by that county; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The Senate have passed a bill of this House of the following title, viz:

H. R. 347. An act granting the right of way to the St. Louis and Iron Mountain Railroad Company, with amendments; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The Senate have agreed to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the Senate (No. 477) entitled "An act to continue half-pay to certain widows and orphans."

The President of the United States has notified the Senate that he did, on the 25th instant, approve and sign a bill of the following title, viz:

S. 369. An act to prohibit public executions in the District of Columbia.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Edgerton,

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Hall reported that the committee having, according to order, had the private calendar under consideration, had directed him to report bills of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 247. A bill for the relief of James Glynn;

H. R. 250. A bill for the relief of S. Morris Waln;

H. R. 274. A bill for the relief of Jasper A. Maltby;

H. R. 285. A bill for the relief of Britain Franks, assignee of Joseph M. Smith;

S. 276. An act for the relief of Col. James R. Creecy;

H. R. 320. A bill for the relief of James H. Jenkins;

H. R. 321. A bill for the relief of John Frink;

H. R. 28. A joint resolution granting the petition of William and Mathew Moss;

S. 16. A resolution for the relief of Alexander Y. P. Garnett;

S. 194. An act for the relief of Jacob Young;

S. 195. An act for the relief of Margaret Farrar;

S. 234. An act for the relief of James Glynn;

S. 238. An act for the relief of Thompson Hutchinson;

S. 239. An act for the relief of Elizabeth Jones, and the other children (if any) of John Carr;

S. 244. An act for the relief of the heirs of the late Major Thomas Noel, United States army;

S. 98. An act for the relief of Sarah D. Mackay;

S. 176. An act for the relief of William Bedient, late a sergeant in the fourth regiment of artillery;

S. 204. An act for the relief of Guion and McLaughlin;

S. 70. An act for the relief of the widows and relatives of certain officers and seamen of the United States brig "Washington," who were lost overboard in a hurricane;

S. 208. An act for the relief of Barbara Reily; severally without amendment; and bills of the Senate of the following titles, viz:

S. 152. An act for the relief of John F. Callan, administrator of Daniel Renner, deceased; and

S. 407. An act for the relief of Jim Capers; severally with an amendment.

The House then proceeded to the consideration of the said bills and joint resolutions; when

Bills of the House numbered 250, 274, 285, 320, 321, and House resolution 28, were severally ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

Being engrossed, they were accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

Ordered, That the bill of the House, No. 247, "for the relief of James Glynn," be laid on the table.

Bills of the Senate numbered 276, 194, 195, 234, 238, 239, 244, 98, 176, 204, 70, 208, and Senate resolution No. 16, were severally ordered to be read a third time.

The said bills and resolution were accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Bill of the Senate (No. 152) "for the relief of John F. Callan, administrator of Daniel Renner, deceased," with the amendment reported thereto, was next taken up, and the said amendment agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

On motion of Mr. Cobb,

Ordered, That the title of the said bill be amended so as to read

"An act for the relief of Mary B. Renner, administratrix of Daniel Renner, deceased."

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the said amendments.

Bill of the Senate (No. 407) "for the relief of Jim Capers"—also reported with an amendment—was next taken up, and the said amendment agreed to.

Ordered, That the said bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the amendment to the said bill.

The bill of the House (No. 248) "for the relief of Captain Lewis E. Simonds"—heretofore reported from a Committee of the Whole House—was taken up, and ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time, and passed,

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Mr. George G. King moved that the vote by which the said bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Cobb moved that the vote by which the bill of the Senate, No. 152, was passed, be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Frederick P. Stanton moved that the vote by which the bill of the Senate, No. 70, was passed, be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Preston King, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That the bill of the House (No. 326) "to prevent frauds upon the treasury of the United States," with the amendments of the Senate thereto, be referred to the select committee appointed to investigate the connexion of the Hon. Thomas Corwin with the Gardiner claim.

Mr. Cobb, from the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the Senate (No. 477) entitled "An act to continue half-pay to certain widows and orphans," submitted the following report, viz:

The committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the amendments to Senate bill No. 477, have agreed to the following report:

Strike out all after the word "*That*," in the proviso of the House, and insert the following:

"The act approved the 22d of February, 1849, granting five years' half-pay to certain widows and orphans of officers, non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, both regular and volunteer, be so extended and construed as to embrace the widows and minor heirs of the officers, non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, of the regulars, militia, and volunteers, of the war of 1812, and of the various Indian wars since 1790."

And said committee further agree to recommend to strike out the

word "*soldier*," in the Senate amendment to said bill, and the adoption of said amendment as amended.

W. R. W. COBB,
G. PORTER,
I. G. HARRIS,
House Committee.

H. HAMLIN,
SOLON BORLAND,
GEO. W. JONES,
Senate Committee.

The same having been read,
Mr. Cobb moved the previous question; which was seconded.
Pending the question on ordering the main question to be put,
Mr. Toombs moved, at 2 o'clock and 55 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.
The main question was then ordered to be put.
Pending the question on agreeing to the said report,
Mr. McMullen moved, at 3 o'clock p. m., that the House adjourn;
Pending which,
Mr. Dean moved that when the House adjourns, it adjourn until Monday next; which motion was disagreed to.
The question then recurring on the motion of Mr. McMullen,
Mr. McMullen withdrew the same.
Mr. Sackett, at 3 o'clock and 1 minute p. m., renewed the motion to adjourn; and it was disagreed to.
The question again recurring on agreeing to the said report,
Mr. Toombs moved that it be laid on the table;
Pending which,
Mr. McMullen moved, at 3 o'clock and 7 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn;
Pending which,
Mr. Hart moved that when the House adjourns, it adjourn until Monday next; which motion was disagreed to.
The question again recurred on the motion to lay the report on the table;

Pending which,
A message in writing was received from the President of the United States, by Millard P. Fillmore, his private secretary; which was handed in at the Speaker's table: also, a message notifying the House that he did, on the 25th instant, approve and sign bills of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 135. An act for the relief of Charles S. Mathews, Charles Wood, and James Hall;

H. R. 202. An act for the relief of the widow and orphan children of Colonel William R. McKee, late of Lexington, Kentucky;

H. R. 343. An act to erect at the capital of the nation an Equestrian Statue of Washington;

H. R. 163. An act for the relief of Jacob J. Storer;

H. R. 283.* An act to extend the provisions of an act approved the 3d of March, 1847, and the act approved the 26th of February, 1849,

for the carrying into effect the existing compacts with the States of Alabama and Mississippi, in relation to the five-per-cent. fund and school reservations.

And then,

On motion of Mr. McMullen,

At 3 o'clock and 15 minutes p. m., the House adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 29, 1853.

The following petitions and resolutions were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Washburn, jr.: The petition of citizens of the State of Maine, praying for the establishment of a mail route—from Presque Isle to railroad station No. 5; which was referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Scudder: The petition of citizens of the State of Massachusetts, praying for the reduction of ocean postage; which was referred as above.

By Mr. Haven: The petition of citizens of the State of New York, praying for an amendment of the law requiring proof in cases of application for bounty land, when made by the soldiers of the war of 1812; which was referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions.

By Mr. Florence: The petition of John Allen, an old soldier, praying for relief; which was referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. Clark: The joint resolution of the legislature of the State of Iowa, praying for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a railroad from McGregor's landing, in Clayton county, on the Mississippi river, to the Missouri river, at or near the mouth of the Big Sioux river, in said State.

By Mr. Dawson: The petition of citizens of the State of Pennsylvania, praying for a grant of one hundred and sixty acres of land to actual settlers.

By Mr. Reed: The petition of citizens of the State of Maine, praying that bounty land be granted to all who served in any of the wars of the United States.

Ordered, That said petitions and resolutions be referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Washburn, jr.: The petition of James A. Drew, praying for injuries sustained by the action of the deputy marshal of the State of Wisconsin; which was referred to the Committee of Claims;

Also, the petition of citizens of Bangor, in the State of Maine, praying that measures may be taken to remedy the inconvenience sustained for the want of silver change; which was referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

By Mr. Bennett: The petition of officers of the United States army stationed in the 9th military department at Las Vegas, New Mexico, praying for additional compensation for themselves and the troops serving in that department, on account of the extraordinary expenses of

(No. 349) "making appropriations for the transportation of the United States mail, by ocean steamers and otherwise, during the fiscal year ending the 30th of June, 1854;" which was read a first and second time, committed to the Committee of the Whole on the state of the Union, and, together with certain documents relative thereto, ordered to be printed.

Mr. Houston, from the same committee, reported a bill (No. 350) "making appropriations for the service of the Post Office Department during the fiscal year ending the 30th of June, 1854;" which was read a first and second time, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Stanly, from the same committee, to whom was referred the bill of the House (No. 277) "to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to deposit with the several States the fourth instalment of the deposits of the public money directed to be made with said States by the act approved June 23, 1836," reported the same, with a recommendation that it do not pass.

Mr. Stanly moved that the said bill be committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, and printed;

Pending which,

Mr. Sweetser moved that the bill be laid on the table.

And the question being put,

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 106
Nays..... • 59

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
Charles Allen
Willis Allen
Thomas H. Averett
David J. Bailey
Thomas H. Bayly
Thomas Bartlett, jr.
James M. H. Beale
Thomas S. Bocock
John Bragg
Albert G. Brown
Joseph Cable
David K. Cartter
John S. Caskie
Elijah W. Chastain
William M. Churchwell
Lincoln Clark
Sherrard Clemens
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
William F. Colcock
Carlton B. Curtis
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick
David T. Disney
James Duane Doty
Cyrus L. Dunham
Charles Durkee
Ben. C. Eastman
Alfred P. Edgerton

Mr. Charles J. Faulkner
Orlando B. Ficklin
Thomas B. Florence
John G. Floyd
John D. Freeman
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James M. Gaylord
Joshua R. Giddings
Alfred Gilmore
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Willard P. Hall
William T. Hamilton
Isham G. Harris
Sampson W. Harris
Emanuel B. Hart
Bernhart Henn
Junius Hillyer
Alexander R. Holladay
George S. Houston
Volney E. Howard
Thomas Y. How, jr.
Colin M. Ingersoll
Willard Ives
Joseph W. Jackson
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
James Johnson
Robert W. Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George W. Jones
J. Glancy Jones

Mr. Preston King
William H. Kurtz
John Letcher
James Lockhart
Daniel Mace
Horace Mann
John C. Mason
James X. McLanahan
John S. Millson
Richard S. Molony
Charles Murphy
William Murray
Benjamin D. Nabers
James L. Orr
Andrew Parker
John S. Phelps
Paulus Powell
William A. Richardson
George Read Riddle
John Robbins, jr.
Reuben Robie
Thomas Ross
David L. Seymour
Origen S. Seymour
Charles Skelton
Ephraim K. Smart
William R. Smith
William W. Snow
Richard H. Stanton
Abr'm P. Stephens
Alexander H. Stephens
Louis St. Martin

Mr. Nathan T. Stratton
Charles E. Stuart
Josiah Sutherland
Charles Sweetser

Mr. Robert Toombs
Abraham W. Venable
Daniel Wallace

Mr. John A. Wilcox
Isaac Wildrick
Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. William Appleton
Nelson Barrere
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibighans
Richard I. Bowie
Obadiah Bowne
Samuel Brenton
George H. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
Joseph P. Caldwell
Lewis D. Campbell
Joseph R. Chandler
Charles Chapman
Joseph S. Cottman
William Cullom
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
Alfred Dockery
James H. Duncan
Prealey Ewing

Mr. Francis B. Fay
Henry M. Fuller
Meredith P. Gentry
Robert Goodenow
Alexander Harper
Solomon G. Haven
Jerediah Horsford
John W. Howe
Thomas M. Howe
George G. King
Joseph H. Kuhns
J. Aristide Landry
Edward P. Little
Frederick S. Martin
James Meacham
John G. Miller
Henry D. Moore
John Moore
James T. Morehead
Eben Newton

Mr. David Outlaw
Samuel W. Parker
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Jared Perkins
Gilechrist Porter
William A. Sackett
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
Marius Schoonmaker
Edward Stanly
Benjamin Stanton
John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston
Amos Tuck
Thomas Y. Walsh
Albert G. Watkins
John Welch
John Wells
Addison White
Christopher H. Williams.

So the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Stanly having called up the motion submitted by him, to print the bill,

The Speaker decided that the effect of the vote to lay the bill on the table had been to lay upon the table the motion to print, and all other motions connected therewith; it was too late, therefore, to call up the motion to print.

From this decision of the Chair, Mr. Stanly appealed.

When,

On motion of Mr. Orr, the said appeal was laid on the table.

Mr. Sweetser moved that the vote by which the bill was laid on the table be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickens, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a bill and joint resolution of the following titles, viz:

S. 579. An act to extend to real and mixed actions the provisions of the thirty-first section of the judiciary act;

S. 73. A resolution for the relief of the owners of the brig Kate Boyd; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The Senate have agreed to the amendments of this House to the bill (S. 371) entitled "An act to confer on John W. Quinney, a member of the Stockbridge tribe of Indians, the rights of citizenship of the United States, and for other purposes."

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Wildrick, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, a bill of the following title, viz:

S. 371. An act for the relief of John W. Quinney, a Stockbridge Indian; when

The Speaker signed the same.

Mr. Gorman, from the Committee on Printing, to whom was referred the question of printing extra copies of the annual report of the Secretary of the Treasury on the state of the finances, made a report thereon, recommending "that there be printed thirteen thousand extra copies of said report, and that two thousand copies of that portion of the report relating exclusively to the fisheries be printed separately."

And the question being put, under the operation of the previous question, Will the House agree to the said report?

It was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Gorman, from the same committee, to whom was referred the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That there be printed, for the use of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, one thousand copies of the supplement to the annual report of said Commissioner, for the year 1852-'53: made a report thereon.

And the question being put, Will the House agree to the said resolution?

It was decided in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Albert G. Brown reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the bill of the House (No. 335) "to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1853," had directed him to report the same with sundry amendments.

The Speaker stated the question to be on agreeing to the said amendments;

Pending which,

Mr. Houston moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put.

The *first* amendment was read and agreed to.

The *second* amendment was then read, as follows, viz:

Add at the end of the twenty-ninth line: "Out of which the Superintendent of the Census shall be allowed a compensation, at the rate of \$3,000 per annum, from the time his salary as secretary of the Census Board ceases."

And the question being put, Will the House agree thereto?

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas 92
Nays 63

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
John Allison
William Appleton
William S. Ashe
Leander Babcock
Nelson Barrere
Thomas M. Bibighaus
Richard I. Bowie
Samuel Brenton
George H. Brown

Mr. Lorenzo Burrows
Joseph Cable
Joseph P. Caldwell
Lewis D. Campbell
Joseph R. Chandler
Charles Chapman
Lincoln Clark
Thomas L. Clingman
James L. Conger
Joseph S. Cottman

Mr. William Cullom
Carlton B. Curtis
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Alfred Dockery
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Ben. C. Eastman

Mr. Alfred P. Edgerton	Mr. Thomas M. Howe	Mr. Jared Perkins
Henry A. Edmundson	Thomas Y. How, jr.	Gilechrist Porter
Charles J. Faulkner	Willard Ives	William Preston
Francis B. Fay	Joseph W. Jackson	Rodman M. Price
Thomas B. Florence	Robert W. Johnson	Isaac Reed
John D. Freeman	George G. King	Thomas Ross
James Gamble	Joseph H. Kuhns	John L. Schoolcraft
James M. Gaylord	William H. Kurtz	Frederick P. Stanton
Joshua R. Giddings	J. Aristide Landry	Richard H. Stanton
Alfred Gilmore	Edward P. Little	Alexander H. Stephens
Robert Goodenow	Horace Mann	James F. Strother
John Z. Goodrich	Frederick S. Martin	Josiah Sutherland
Frederick W. Green	James Meacham	Charles Sweetser
Ben. Edwards Grey	John G. Miller	John L. Taylor
Galusha A. Grow	Ahiman L. Miner	Robert Toombs
John H. H. Haws	Henry D. Moore	Henry S. Walbridge
Augustus P. Hascall	John A. Morrison	Thomas Y. Walsh
Solomon G. Haven	James L. Orr	Israel Washburn, jr.
Jerediah Horsford	Andrew Parker	John Welch
Volney E. Howard	Charles H. Peaslee	Richard Yates.
John W. Howe	Ebenezer J. Pennington	

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Thomas H. Averett	Mr. Harry Hibbard	Mr. David Outlaw
David J. Bailey	Alexander R. Holladay	Samuel W. Parker
Thomas Bartlett, jr.	George S. Houston	Alexander G. Penn
James M. H. Beale	Colin M. Ingersoll	John S. Phelps
John Bragg	Andrew Johnson	Paulus Powell
John C. Breckinridge	George W. Jones	William A. Richardson
John S. Caskie	J. Glancy Jones	John Robbins, jr.
Sherrard Clemens	John Lecher	Reuben Robie
Williamson R. W. Cobb	James Lockhart	Joseph Russell
William F. Colcock	John C. Mason	Charles Skelton
John G. Davis	Fayette McMullen	Benjamin Stanton
David T. Disney	John McNair	Louis St. Martin
Cyrus L. Dunham	John S. Millson	Nathan T. Stratton
Orlando B. Ficklin	Richard S. Molony	Charles E. Stuart
John G. Floyd	John Moore	Benjamin B. Thurston
Willard P. Hall	James T. Morehead	Abraham W. Venable
Alexander Harper	Charles Murphy	Daniel Wallace
Isham G. Harris	William Murray	Albert G. Watkins
Sampson W. Harris	Benjamin D. Nabers	John A. Wilcox
Emanuel B. Hart	Eben Newton	Isaac Wildrick
Thomas A. Hendricks	Edson B. Olds	Joseph A. Woodward.

So the *second* amendment was agreed to.

All the remaining amendments were then severally read, and agreed to.

The question was then put, under the further operation of the previous question, Shall the bill be engrossed and read a third time?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time.

The question then being on its passage,

Mr. Houston moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Shall the bill pass?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

So the bill was passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Mr. Clingman moved that the vote by which the said bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to request of this House the return of the bill of the Senate (No. 477) entitled "An act to continue half-pay to certain widows and orphans."

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Cobb, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That the Clerk be directed to return to the Senate the said bill of the Senate, No. 477, as requested by the Senate.

Mr. Houston moved that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Robert W. Johnson,

At 3 o'clock and 15 minutes p. m. the House adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock m.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28, 1853.

The journal of yesterday having been read,

Mr. Stanly moved to amend the same by adding thereto the following, viz:

"Mr. Stanly, after moving to refer the bill and print, being still on the floor, withdrew the motion to refer, and made the motion to print.

"The Speaker said that would be in order.

"Mr. Stanly submitted the motion to print.

"Mr. Sweetser claimed the floor, and moved the bill be laid on the table.

"Mr. Stanly claimed the floor.

"The Speaker decided Mr. Sweetser was entitled to the floor to make the motion to lay the bill on the table, while Mr. Stanly was claiming it and had never yielded it."

After debate,

The question was put, Shall the journal be amended?

And it was decided in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

Ordered, That the journal of yesterday be amended by transposing his name from the negative to the affirmative on the motion of Mr. Sweetser to lay on the table the bill of the House No. 277.

The following petitions were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Babcock: The petition of Thomas C. Nye, of Madison county, in the State of New York, praying indemnity for damages sustained by him under a contract to carry the United States mail; which was referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Henry M. Fuller: The petition of Daniel Cressman, an invalid of the war of 1812, praying for a pension; which was referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. Jenkins: The petition of William A. Jacobs and Harrison Jacobs, praying to be granted the right to hold certain land scrip as assignees; which was referred to the Committee on Private Land Claims.

By Mr. Strother: The petition of citizens of the State of Virginia,

praying for the rebuilding the bridge across the Potomac river; which was referred to the Committee for the District of Columbia.

By Mr. Miller: The petition of Edward J. Noland, praying for indemnity for losses sustained at the battle of Sacramento, in Mexico, in 1847; which was referred to the Committee of Claims.

By Mr. Chandler: The petition of citizens and merchants of Philadelphia, in the State of Pennsylvania, praying for a modification of the law relative to the delivery of goods from ships upon which they were imported;

Also, the petition of merchants and importers of merchandise, citizens of Philadelphia, praying for a modification of the rule relative to the payment of excess of duties.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Commerce.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed bills of the following titles, viz:

S. 582. An act concerning bail in civil causes in the District of Columbia;

S. 598. An act to refund to the county of Lee, Iowa, certain expenses of the district court, which were paid by that county; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The Senate have passed a bill of this House of the following title, viz:

H. R. 347. An act granting the right of way to the St. Louis and Iron Mountain Railroad Company, with amendments; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The Senate have agreed to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the Senate (No. 477) entitled "An act to continue half-pay to certain widows and orphans."

The President of the United States has notified the Senate that he did, on the 25th instant, approve and sign a bill of the following title, viz:

S. 369. An act to prohibit public executions in the District of Columbia.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Edgerton,

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Hall reported that the committee having, according to order, had the private calendar under consideration, had directed him to report bills of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 247. A bill for the relief of James Glynn;

H. R. 250. A bill for the relief of S. Morris Waln;

H. R. 274. A bill for the relief of Jasper A. Maltby;

H. R. 285. A bill for the relief of Britain Franks, assignee of Joseph M. Smith;

S. 276. An act for the relief of Col. James R. Creecy;

H. R. 320. A bill for the relief of James H. Jenkins;

H. R. 321. A bill for the relief of John Frink;

H. R. 28. A joint resolution granting the petition of William and Mathew Moss;

S. 16. A resolution for the relief of Alexander Y. P. Garnett;

S. 194. An act for the relief of Jacob Young;

S. 195. An act for the relief of Margaret Farrar;

S. 234. An act for the relief of James Glynn;

S. 238. An act for the relief of Thompson Hutchinson;

S. 239. An act for the relief of Elizabeth Jones, and the other children (if any) of John Carr;

S. 244. An act for the relief of the heirs of the late Major Thomas Noel, United States army;

S. 98. An act for the relief of Sarah D. Mackay;

S. 176. An act for the relief of William Bedient, late a sergeant in the fourth regiment of artillery;

S. 204. An act for the relief of Guion and McLaughlin;

S. 70. An act for the relief of the widows and relatives of certain officers and seamen of the United States brig "Washington," who were lost overboard in a hurricane;

S. 208. An act for the relief of Barbara Reily; severally without amendment; and bills of the Senate of the following titles, viz:

S. 152. An act for the relief of John F. Callan, administrator of Daniel Renner, deceased; and

S. 407. An act for the relief of Jim Capers; severally with an amendment.

The House then proceeded to the consideration of the said bills and joint resolutions; when

Bills of the House numbered 250, 274, 285, 320, 321, and House resolution 28, were severally ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

Being engrossed, they were accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

Ordered, That the bill of the House, No. 247, "for the relief of James Glynn," be laid on the table.

Bills of the Senate numbered 276, 194, 195, 234, 238, 239, 244, 98, 176, 204, 70, 208, and Senate resolution No. 16, were severally ordered to be read a third time.

The said bills and resolution were accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Bill of the Senate (No. 152) "for the relief of John F. Callan, administrator of Daniel Renner, deceased," with the amendment reported thereto, was next taken up, and the said amendment agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

On motion of Mr. Cobb,

Ordered, That the title of the said bill be amended so as to read

"An act for the relief of Mary B. Renner, administratrix of Daniel Renner, deceased."

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the said amendments.

Bill of the Senate (No. 407) "for the relief of Jim Capers"—also reported with an amendment—was next taken up, and the said amendment agreed to.

Ordered, That the said bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the amendment to the said bill.

The bill of the House (No. 248) "for the relief of Captain Lewis E. Simonds"—heretofore reported from a Committee of the Whole House—was taken up, and ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time, and passed,

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Mr. George G. King moved that the vote by which the said bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Cobb moved that the vote by which the bill of the Senate, No. 152, was passed, be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Frederick P. Stanton moved that the vote by which the bill of the Senate, No. 70, was passed, be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Preston King, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That the bill of the House (No. 326) "to prevent frauds upon the treasury of the United States," with the amendments of the Senate thereto, be referred to the select committee appointed to investigate the connexion of the Hon. Thomas Corwin with the Gardiner claim.

Mr. Cobb, from the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the Senate (No. 477) entitled "An act to continue half-pay to certain widows and orphans," submitted the following report, viz:

The committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the amendments to Senate bill No. 477, have agreed to the following report:

Strike out all after the word "*That*," in the proviso of the House, and insert the following:

"The act approved the 22d of February, 1849, granting five years' half-pay to certain widows and orphans of officers, non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, both regular and volunteer, be so extended and construed as to embrace the widows and minor heirs of the officers, non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, of the regulars, militia, and volunteers, of the war of 1812, and of the various Indian wars since 1790."

And said committee further agree to recommend to strike out the

word "*soldier*," in the Senate amendment to said bill, and the adoption of said amendment as amended.

W. R. W. COBB,
G. PORTER,
I. G. HARRIS,
House Committee.

H. HAMLIN,
SOLON BORLAND,
GEO. W. JONES,
Senate Committee.

The same having been read,
Mr. Cobb moved the previous question; which was seconded.
Pending the question on ordering the main question to be put,
Mr. Toombs moved, at 2 o'clock and 55 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.
The main question was then ordered to be put.
Pending the question on agreeing to the said report,
Mr. McMullen moved, at 3 o'clock p. m., that the House adjourn;
Pending which,
Mr. Dean moved that when the House adjourns, it adjourn until Monday next; which motion was disagreed to.
The question then recurring on the motion of Mr. McMullen,
Mr. McMullen withdrew the same.
Mr. Sackett, at 3 o'clock and 1 minute p. m., renewed the motion to adjourn; and it was disagreed to.
The question again recurring on agreeing to the said report,
Mr. Toombs moved that it be laid on the table;
Pending which,
Mr. McMullen moved, at 3 o'clock and 7 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn;
Pending which,
Mr. Hart moved that when the House adjourns, it adjourn until Monday next; which motion was disagreed to.
The question again recurred on the motion to lay the report on the table;
Pending which,
A message in writing was received from the President of the United States, by Millard P. Fillmore, his private secretary; which was handed in at the Speaker's table: also, a message notifying the House that he did, on the 25th instant, approve and sign bills of the following titles, viz:
H. R. 135. An act for the relief of Charles S. Mathews, Charles Wood, and James Hall;
H. R. 202. An act for the relief of the widow and orphan children of Colonel William R. McKee, late of Lexington, Kentucky;
H. R. 343. An act to erect at the capital of the nation an Equestrian Statue of Washington;
H. R. 163. An act for the relief of Jacob J. Storer;
H. R. 283.* An act to extend the provisions of an act approved the 3d of March, 1847, and the act approved the 26th of February, 1849,

for the carrying into effect the existing compacts with the States of Alabama and Mississippi, in relation to the five-per-cent. fund and school reservations.

And then,

On motion of Mr. McMullen,

At 3 o'clock and 15 minutes p. m., the House adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 29, 1853.

The following petitions and resolutions were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Washburn, jr.: The petition of citizens of the State of Maine, praying for the establishment of a mail route—from Presque Isle to railroad station No. 5; which was referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Scudder: The petition of citizens of the State of Massachusetts, praying for the reduction of ocean postage; which was referred as above.

By Mr. Haven: The petition of citizens of the State of New York, praying for an amendment of the law requiring proof in cases of application for bounty land, when made by the soldiers of the war of 1812; which was referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions.

By Mr. Florence: The petition of John Allen, an old soldier, praying for relief; which was referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. Clark: The joint resolution of the legislature of the State of Iowa, praying for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a railroad from McGregor's landing, in Clayton county, on the Mississippi river, to the Missouri river, at or near the mouth of the Big Sioux river, in said State.

By Mr. Dawson: The petition of citizens of the State of Pennsylvania, praying for a grant of one hundred and sixty acres of land to actual settlers.

By Mr. Reed: The petition of citizens of the State of Maine, praying that bounty land be granted to all who served in any of the wars of the United States.

Ordered, That said petitions and resolutions be referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Washburn, jr.: The petition of James A. Drew, praying for injuries sustained by the action of the deputy marshal of the State of Wisconsin; which was referred to the Committee of Claims;

Also, the petition of citizens of Bangor, in the State of Maine, praying that measures may be taken to remedy the inconvenience sustained for the want of silver change; which was referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

By Mr. Bennett: The petition of officers of the United States army stationed in the 9th military department at Las Vegas, New Mexico, praying for additional compensation for themselves and the troops serving in that department, on account of the extraordinary expenses of

living in that country; which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Scudder: The petition of the owner of the schooner "Uncle Amasa," praying for fishing bounty; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. Haven, by unanimous consent, and in pursuance of previous notice, introduced a bill (No. 351) "for the relief of Brevet Brigadier General Bennet Riley, and to enable him to settle his accounts with the United States;" which was read a first and second time.

By unanimous consent, the House proceeded to the further consideration of the said bill.

The Speaker stated the question to be on its engrossment and third reading.

Mr. Haven moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Shall the bill be engrossed and read a third time?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

The bill being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time.

The question then being on its passage,

Mr. Stanly moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Shall the bill pass?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

So the bill was passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Mr. Haven moved that the vote by which the said bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Williams, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That leave be granted for the withdrawal, from the files of the House, of the papers in the case of James Hughes, for the purpose of reference to one of the executive departments.

The said papers were thereupon handed to Mr. Williams.

The Speaker, by unanimous consent, asked and obtained leave for the withdrawal, from the files of the House, of the papers in the case of William S. Ross, for the purpose of reference to one of the executive departments.

The said papers were thereupon handed to the Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Nabers, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That leave be granted for the withdrawal, from the files of the House, of the petition of certain citizens of Mississippi, relative to advances to the Pontotoc volunteers, for the purpose of reference to one of the executive departments.

Mr. Cobb gave notice, under the rule, of his intention to move for leave to introduce a bill to grant the right of way and a donation of public lands to the State of Alabama, for the purpose of constructing the Wills Valley railroad, leading from Wills creek, at or near James Hampton's, through Wills valley, to the State line between the States of Alabama and Georgia.

Mr. Bowne gave notice, under the rule, of his intention to move for leave to introduce a bill "for the relief of Eli Darling, of Brooklyn."

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Machen, their chief clerk:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed bills of the Senate of the following titles, viz:

S. 298. An act for the relief of the heirs of Colonel William Grayson;

S. 370. An act for the relief of Calvin B. Seymour and Willard Boynton, surviving partners of the firm of W. & H. Boynton;

S. 394. An act for the relief of Jacob Gideon;

S. 449. An act for the relief of Rulif Van Brunt;

S. 265. An act for the relief of the captors of the frigate Philadelphia; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The Senate have also passed bills of this House of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 185. An act for the relief of Maurice K. Simons; and

H. R. 160. An act for the relief of the heirs of Jeremiah Wingate; the latter without and the former with an amendment; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The President of the United States has notified the Senate that he did, on the 27th instant, approve and sign bills of the following titles, viz:

S. 487. An act for the relief of Abigail Stafford;

S. 371. An act for the relief of John W. Quinney, a Stockbridge Indian;

S. 341. An act for the relief of Nathan Weston, jr., late additional paymaster in the United States army;

S. 302. An act granting a pension to Mrs. Ann C. Belknap;

S. 150. An act for the relief of Frances P. Gardiner.

The House then resumed, as the business first in order, the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the bill of the Senate (No. 477) "to continue half-pay to certain widows and orphans;" the pending question, when the House adjourned on yesterday, being on the motion of Mr. Toombs to lay the said report on the table.

The question being put, Shall the said report be laid on the table?

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas 29
Nays 127

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. Thomas H. Averett
Thomas S. Bocock
Lewis D. Campbell
John S. Caakie
Sherrard Clemens
Cyrus L. Dunham
Thomas J. D. Fuller
Willard P. Hall
Sampson W. Harris
Alexander R. Holladay

Mr. George S. Houston
George W. Jones
Preston King
John Letcher
Frederick S. Martin
James Meacham
Richard K. Meade
John S. Millson
Jared Perkins
Thomas Ross

Mr. Joseph Russell
William W. Snow
Edward Stanly
Alexander H. Stephens
Josiah Sutherland
Robert Toombs
Abraham W. Venable
Isaac Wildrick
Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
Charles Allen
Willie Allen
John Allison

Mr. William Appleton
William S. Ashe
Nelson Barrere
Thomas Bartlett, jr.

Mr. Hiram Bell
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibighaus
Obadiah Bowne

Mr. John Bragg
 John C. Breckinridge
 Samuel Brenton
 Albert G. Brown
 Armistead Burt
 George H. Busby
 E. Carrington Cabell
 Joseph Cable
 Joseph P. Caldwell
 David K. Carter
 Charles Chapman
 Elijah W. Chastain
 Lincoln Clark
 Thomas L. Clingman
 Williamson R. W. Cobb
 William F. Colcock
 Joseph S. Cottman
 William Cullom
 Carlton B. Curtis
 John F. Darby
 George T. Davis
 John G. Davis
 John L. Dawson
 Gilbert Dean
 Milo M. Dimmick
 James Duane Doty
 James H. Duncan
 Alfred P. Edgerton
 Henry A. Edmundson
 Charles J. Faulkner
 Francis B. Fay
 Orlando B. Ficklin
 Thomas B. Florence
 John G. Floyd
 John D. Freeman
 Henry M. Fuller
 James Gamble
 James M. Gaylord
 Joshua R. Giddings

Mr. Alfred Gilmore
 Robert Goodenow
 John Z. Goodrich
 Willis A. Gorman
 Frederick W. Green
 Ben. Edwards Grey
 William T. Hamilton
 Alexander Harper
 John H. H. Haws
 Augustus P. Hascall
 Thomas A. Hendricks
 Bernhart Henn
 Junius Hillyer
 Jerediah Horsford
 John W. Howe
 Thomas Y. How, Jr.
 Colin M. Ingersoll
 Willard Ives
 Joseph W. Jackson
 Timothy Jenkins
 Andrew Johnson
 John Johnson
 Robert W. Johnson
 Daniel T. Jones
 George G. King
 Joseph H. Kuhns
 William H. Kurtz
 J. Aristide Landry
 Edward P. Little
 Daniel Mace
 John C. Mason
 Fayette McMullen
 John McNair
 John G. Miller
 Ahiman L. Miner
 John Moore
 James T. Morehead
 John A. Morrison

Mr. Charles Murphy
 William Murray
 Benjamin D. Nabers
 Eben Newton
 James L. Orr
 Andrew Parker
 Samuel W. Parker
 Alexander G. Penn
 John S. Phelps
 Gilchrist Porter
 William Preston
 William A. Richardson
 John Robbins, jr.
 Reuben Robie
 Marius Schoonmaker
 David L. Seymour
 Origen S. Seymour
 Ephraim K. Smart
 William R. Smith
 Benjamin Stanton
 Frederick P. Stanton
 Richard H. Stanton
 Abr'm P. Stephens
 James W. Stone
 Charles E. Stuart
 Charles Sweetser
 John L. Taylor
 Benjamin B. Thurston
 Amos Tuck
 Henry S. Walbridge
 Israel Washburn, jr.
 Albert G. Watkins
 John Welch
 John Wells
 Addison White
 John A. Wilcox
 Christopher H. Williams
 Richard Yates.

So the House refused to lay the said report on the table.

The question then recurred on agreeing to the report.

And, being put, it was decided in the affirmative.

So the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the Senate (No. 477) "to continue half-pay to certain widows and orphans," was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Cobb moved that the vote by which the said report was agreed to be reconsidered, and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. McNair moved, as a question of privilege, (under a decision of the Chair,) that the select committee appointed at the last session on the foundation of the Capitol extension be reappointed.

Mr. George W. Jones moved to amend the said motion, by adding thereto: "*also, all the other select committees appointed at the last session who had not discharged their duties.*"

Mr. Stanly made the point of order, that under the resolution of the House of the 24th of August, viz: "*Resolved*, That all bills, resolutions, and other matter referred to the standing and select committees of this House, upon which no report shall have been made at this session, shall be returned informally to the Clerk, and shall, by virtue of this

resolution, stand recommitted at the commencement of the next session to said committees, into whose possession the Clerk is hereby directed to restore them;" the select committees were already in existence, and, therefore, that the pending motions were not in order.

The Speaker overruled the point of order, on the ground that although the resolution referred to might have contemplated the existence of such committees at the present session, no authority had yet been conferred upon him to appoint the members who should compose them. And without such authority he did not feel at liberty to make the appointment; nor without such appointment could he recognise their present existence.

From this decision of the Chair, Mr. Stanly appealed.

When,

On motion of Mr. Stuart, it was ordered that the said appeal be laid on the table.

So the decision of the Chair was sustained.

The question then recurring on the amendment of Mr. George W. Jones to the motion of Mr. McNair,

Mr. Stuart moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put.

When,

On motion of Mr. Goodenow, it was ordered that the whole subject be laid on the table.

Mr. Preston King moved that the vote by which the bill of the House (No. 326) "to prevent frauds upon the Treasury of the United States," with the amendments of the Senate thereto, was referred to the select committee heretofore appointed to investigate the connexion of the Hon. Thomas Corwin with the Gardiner claim, be reconsidered.

The said motion was passed over for the present.

Mr. Houston moved that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. ~~On~~,

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Hall reported that the committee having, according to order, had the private calendar under consideration, had directed him to report bills of the House of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 175. A bill for the relief of Anthony Walton Bayard; and

H. R. 203. A bill for the relief of the trustees of the Philadelphia gas works;

the former with a recommendation that it pass, and the latter with a recommendation that it do not pass.

And then,

On motion of Mr. Florence,

At 3 o'clock and 55 minutes p. m. the House adjourned until Monday next at 12 o'clock m.

MONDAY, JANUARY 31, 1853.

The journal of Saturday having been read,

On motion of Mr. Stanly,

Ordered, That the same be amended by the insertion of the resolution of the House of the 24th August last, relative to matters undisposed of by the committees at the last session, in lieu of the reference to the said resolution as contained in the journal as at present made up.

The following petition and resolutions were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Penniman: The concurrent resolutions of the legislature of the State of Michigan, praying for the donation of three townships of land to the University of said State;

Also, the concurrent resolutions of the legislature of the State of Michigan, praying for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a railroad from Pontiac to the mineral region on Lake Superior.

Ordered, That said resolutions be referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. John Moore: The petition of the legal representatives of Leonard Dyson, praying for the confirmation of a Rio Hondo claim heretofore recommended for confirmation; which was referred to the Committee on Private Land Claims.

On motion of Mr. George W. Jones, the rules having been suspended for that purpose, the bill of the Senate (No. 582) entitled "An act concerning bail in civil causes in the District of Columbia," was taken from the Speaker's table and read a first and second time.

Pending the question on its third reading,

On motion of Mr. George W. Jones, the rules having been suspended for that purpose,

Ordered, That its further consideration be postponed until to-morrow at 1 o'clock p. m., for which hour it is hereby made the special order.

Mr. George W. Jones moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Jenkins then arose and announced the death of the honorable Alexander H. Buell, a member of this House from the State of New York, which took place at his lodgings in this city, on the evening of the 29th instant.

* After a brief eulogium upon the life and public services of the deceased, Mr. Jenkins submitted the following resolutions, viz:

Resolved, That this House has received with deep sensibility the announcement of the death of the honorable Alexander H. Buell, a member of this House from the State of New York.

Resolved, That this House tenders to the family of the deceased the expression of its sympathy on this afflicting event; and, as a testimony of respect for his memory, the members and officers of this House will wear the usual badge of mourning for thirty days.

Resolved, That the Clerk of this House be directed to communicate a copy of these proceedings to the family of the deceased, and also to the Senate.

Resolved, That, as a further testimony of respect for the deceased, this House do now adjourn;

Pending which,

Mr. Jones, by unanimous consent, submitted the following preamble and resolution; which were read, considered and agreed to, viz:

Whereas, the family of Mr. Buell having determined to proceed to-day to New York with his remains, for interment, and the Speaker of this House having designated a committee to accompany them:

Resolved, That the Clerk of this House be directed to pay, out of the contingent fund of this House, and place at the disposal of said committee, for the funeral expenses of the Hon. Alexander H. Buell, a sum equal to that usually expended in such cases, to be ascertained and drawn for by the committee.

The question was then put on the resolutions submitted by Mr. Jenkins; and they were unanimously agreed to.

The House accordingly adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock m.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1853.

The following petitions, memorials, and other papers were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Beale: The petition of a citizen of the State of Virginia, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from West Union, in Mason county, to Moor's Mills, in Jackson county, in said State.

By Mr. Welch: The petition of citizens of the State of Ohio, praying for a mail-route from Canaanville, in Athens county, to North Union, in Washington county, in said State.

By Mr. Thomas M. Howe: The petition of citizens of the State of Pennsylvania, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Pittsburg to Saxonburg, in Butler county, in said State.

By Mr. Chandler: The petition of citizens of Philadelphia, praying Congress to construct a railroad between that city and the city of New York, for the transportation of the United States mails.

By Mr. Lane: The concurrent resolution of the legislative assembly of the Territory of Oregon, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Salem to Lafayette, in said Territory.

Ordered, That said petitions and resolution be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Babcock: The petition of citizens of the State of New York, praying for a grant of land to construct a ship-canal around the falls of Niagara.

By Mr. Robbins, jr.: The petition of citizens of Philadelphia, in the State of Pennsylvania, praying for a modification of the bounty-land law of 1850.

By Mr. Clarke: A joint resolution of the legislature of the State of Iowa, praying for a donation of Fort Atkinson to said State.

By Mr. Bennett: The petition of citizens of the State of New York, praying for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a ship-canal around the falls of Niagara.

Ordered, That said petitions and resolutions be referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Lane: The memorial of citizens of Oregon Territory, praying that said Territory be divided; which was referred to the Committee on Territories.

By Mr. Lane: The concurrent resolution of the legislative assembly of the Territory of Oregon, praying for a continuance of the geological survey of said Territory; which was referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

By Mr. Sackett: The concurrent resolutions of the legislature of the State of New York, in relation to the interposition of the President of the United States for the release of Francisco Madiari and his wife, now in prison in the kingdom of Tuscany for reading the bible; which were referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. St. Martin: The petition of citizens of the city of New Orleans, in the State of Louisiana, praying for a modification of the act of 1799, regulating the collection of duties on imports and tonnage.

By Mr. Eastman: The petition of citizens of the State of Wisconsin, praying for the improvement of the Grant River slough, at Potosi, in said State;

Also, the memorial of the legislature of the State of Wisconsin, of like import with the foregoing—heretofore presented March 16, 1848.

Ordered, That said petition and memorial be referred to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. Richard H. Stanton: The petition of George Page, proposing to furnish a steam ferry-boat, and run a ferry upon the site of the old Potomac bridge, for a fixed annual compensation; which was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

By Mr. Burrows: Two petitions of citizens of the State of New York, praying for the extension of Uri Emmons's patent for a cylindrical planing machine, dated April 25, 1829; which were referred to the Committee on Patents.

Mr. Giddings, by unanimous consent, from the Committee on Territories, reported a bill (No. 352) "to provide for the survey and location of a wagon-road from the Missouri river to the settlements in California and Oregon, and also for the extension of settlements along the same," accompanied by a report in writing; which bill was read a first and second time, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, and the bill and report ordered to be printed.

Mr. George W. Jones moved that the vote by which the said bill was committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Henn, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, a bill of the following title, viz:

S. 477. An act to continue half-pay to certain widows and orphans. When

The Speaker signed the same.

On motion of Mr. Cobb, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That leave be granted for the withdrawal, from the files of the House, of the papers in the case of Mary Parker, widow of Colonel

Amasa Parker, for the purpose of reference to one of the executive departments.

The said papers were thereupon handed to Mr. Cobb.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickinson, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have appointed a committee, consisting of Mr. Hunter, Mr. Bright, and Mr. Pearce, to join such committee as may be appointed by the House of Representatives, to ascertain and report a mode of examining the votes for President and Vice President of the United States, and of notifying the persons elected of their election.

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Dunham, from the Committee of Ways and Means, to which was referred the bill of the Senate (No. 271) entitled "An act amendatory of existing laws relative to the half-dollar, quarter-dollar, dime, and half-dime," reported the same with sundry amendments.

Pending the question on agreeing to the said amendments,

Mr. Dunham moved that the bill and amendments be committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union ;

Pending which, and after debate, the hour of 1 o'clock p. m. having arrived, the House proceeded to the consideration of the special order, viz: S. 582, entitled "An act concerning bail in civil causes in the District of Columbia;" the pending question being on its third reading.

After debate,

Mr. George W. Jones moved the previous question ; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put ; and, under the operation thereof, the said bill was ordered to be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time.

Mr. George W. Jones moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered ; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table ; which latter motion was agreed to.

The question then being on the passage of the said bill,

Mr. George W. Jones moved the previous question ; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Shall the bill pass ?

And it was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 131
Nays 22

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
Charles Allen
Willis Allen
John Allison
William Appleton
Thomas H. Averett
Leander Babcock
David J. Bailey
James M. H. Beale
Henry Bennett
Thomas S. Bocock
Richard I. Bowie
Samuel Brenton
Albert G. Brown
E. Carrington Cabell
Joseph Cable
Joseph P. Caldwell
Lewis D. Campbell

Mr. David K. Cartter
Joseph R. Chandler
Elijah W. Chastain
Sherrard Clemens
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
Joseph S. Cottman
William Cullom
Carlton B. Curtis
John F. Darby
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
David T. Disney
Alfred Dockery
James Duane Doty
Cyrus L. Dunham
Charles Durkee

Mr. Ben. C. Eastman
Alfred P. Edgerton
Presley Ewing
Charles J. Faulkner
Orlando B. Ficklin
Thomas B. Florence
John G. Floyd
John D. Freeman
James M. Gaylord
Joshua R. Giddings
Alfred Gilmore
John Z. Goodrich
Willis A. Gorman
Ben. Edwards Grey
Galusha A. Grow
Willard P. Hall
William T. Hamilton
Isaham G. Harris

Mr. Sampson W. Harris
 John H. H. Haws
 Augustus P. Hascall
 Thomas A. Hendricks
 Bernhart Henn
 Harry Hibbard
 Junius Hillyer
 Volney E. Howard
 Thomas M. Howe
 Colin M. Ingersoll
 Willard Ives
 Joseph W. Jackson
 Timothy Jenkins
 George W. Jones
 J. Glancy Jones
 William H. Kurtz
 J. Aristide Landry
 John Letcher
 Edward P. Little
 James Lockhart
 Daniel Mace
 Moses McDonald
 John McNair
 James Meacham
 John G. Miller
 John S. Millson

Mr. Ahiman L. Miner
 Richard S. Molony
 Henry D. Moore
 John Moore
 Charles Murphy
 William Murray
 Benjamin D. Nabers
 Eben Newton
 Edson B. Olds
 James L. Orr
 David Outlaw
 Andrew Parker
 Samuel W. Parker
 Charles H. Peaslee
 Alexander G. Penn
 Jared Perkins
 John S. Phelps
 Gilchrist Porter
 Paulus Powell
 William Preston
 William A. Richardson
 George Read Riddle
 John Robbins, jr.
 Reuben Robie
 Thomas Ross
 Joseph Russell

Mr. Lorenzo Sabine
 William A. Sackett
 John H. Savage
 John L. Schoolcraft
 David L. Seymour
 Origen S. Seymour
 Charles Skelton
 Ephraim K. Smart
 William W. Snow
 Edward Stanly
 Benjamin Stanton
 Frederick P. Stanton
 Richard H. Stanton
 Abr'm P. Stephens
 Alexander H. Stephens
 James W. Stone
 James F. Strother
 John L. Taylor
 Benjamin B. Thurston
 Amos Tuck
 Abraham W. Venable
 William T. Ward
 Israel Washburn, jr.
 Albert G. Watkins
 John A. Wilcox.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Nelson Barrere
 John Bragg
 George H. Busby
 John S. Caskie
 William F. Colcock
 James L. Conger
 James H. Duncan
 Thomas J. D. Fuller

Mr. Alexander R. Holladay
 George S. Houston
 John W. Howe
 Frederick S. Martin
 Fayette McMullen
 Richard K. Meade
 James T. Morehead

Mr. Ebenezer J. Penniman
 William R. Smith
 Charles Sweetser
 Robert Toombs
 Daniel Wallace
 John Welch
 Christopher H. Williams.

So the bill was passed.

Mr. George W. Jones moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate with the passage of the said bill.

On motion of Mr. Stuart, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That the bill of the Senate (No. 271) entitled "An act amendatory of existing laws relative to the half-dollar, quarter-dollar, dime, and half-dime," with the pending amendments thereto, be printed.

On motion of Mr. Hillyer, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That the Clerk request the Senate to furnish this House with a certified copy of the bill of the Senate (No. 358) entitled "An act directing a survey and estimate of the cost of constructing a canal basin at the terminus of the Chesapeake and Ohio canal in Georgetown;" the said bill having been lost since it was received from the Senate.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickens, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a bill and joint resolution of this House of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 28. Joint resolution granting the petition of William and Matthew Moss;

H. R. 199. An act for the relief of the legal representatives of Bernard Todd, deceased;
severally without amendment.

The Senate have agreed to the amendments of this House to the bills of the Senate of the following titles, viz:

S. 152. An act for the relief of John F. Callan, administrator of Daniel Renner, deceased; and

S. 407. An act for the relief of Jim Capers.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Houston, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Albert G. Brown reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the bill of the House (No. 336) "making appropriations for the support of the army for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854," had come to no resolution thereon.

On motion of Mr. George W. Jones, by unanimous consent, the resolution of the Senate for the appointment of a joint committee "to ascertain and report a mode of examining the votes for President and Vice President of the United States, and of notifying the persons elected of their election," was taken up and concurred in.

Ordered, That Mr. George W. Jones, Mr. Chandler, Mr. John G. Davis, Mr. Alexander H. Stephens, and Mr. Dean be appointed the said committee on the part of the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

The Speaker, by unanimous consent, laid before the House the following message, heretofore received from the President of the United States, viz:

To the House of Representatives:

Since my last message to your honorable body, communicating a report from the Treasury Department, in answer to your resolution of the 3d instant, in reference to the compensation of weighers and gaugers, further communications on that subject have been received from New Orleans, which have just been reported to me by the Secretary of the Treasury, and which I deem it my duty to communicate to the House.

MILLARD FILLMORE.

WASHINGTON, January 27, 1853.

Ordered, That the said message and accompanying documents be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and printed.

The Speaker, also, by unanimous consent, laid before the House the following executive communications, viz:

I. A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting copies of the official Army Register for the year 1853.

Ordered, That the said letter be laid on the table, and printed.

II. A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting his annual statement of the expenditures of the contingent fund of his department for the last fiscal year.

Ordered, That the said letter and accompanying statement be laid on the table, and printed.

III. A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting lists of clerks and other persons employed in his department during the year 1852.

Ordered, That the said letter and accompanying papers be laid on the table, and printed.

IV. A letter from the Secretary of the Navy, transmitting his annual statement of the expenditure of the contingent fund of his department for the last fiscal year.

Ordered, That the said letter and accompanying statement be laid on the table, and printed.

V. A letter from the Secretary of the Navy, transmitting a report of the pay and allowances of the several officers of the navy and marine corps of the United States, together with a list of the officers of the navy attached to the coast survey, during the last fiscal year.

Ordered. That the said letter and accompanying report be laid on the table, and printed.

VI. A letter from the Secretary of the Navy, transmitting a list of contracts entered into by the Bureau of Navy Yards and Docks, and an abstract of offers received for furnishing articles under the cognizance of that bureau, since October, 1851.

Ordered, That the said letter and accompanying papers be laid on the table, and printed.

Mr. Houston submitted the following resolution, viz :

Resolved, That all debate in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union on the bill of the House (No. 336) "making appropriations for the support of the army for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854," shall cease in one hour after its consideration is resumed, (if the committee shall not sooner come to a conclusion upon the same;) and the committee shall then proceed to vote on such amendments as may be pending, or offered to the same, and shall then lay it aside, to be reported to the House, with such amendments as may have been agreed to by the committee.

The same having been read,

Mr. Houston moved the previous question ;

Pending which,

Mr. Stanly moved that the resolution be laid on the table ;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Sweetser,

At 3 o'clock and 40 minutes p. m. the House adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1853.

Before the reading of the journal, there being no quorum present,

On motion of Mr. Albert G. Brown,

Ordered, That there be a call of the House.

The roll having been called, the following named members failed to answer to their names, viz :

James Abercrombie, William Aiken, William S. Ashe, Leander Babcock, David J. Bailey, Thomas H. Bayly, Nelson Barrere, Thomas

Bartlett, jr., Hiram Bell, Thomas M. Bibighaus, William H. Bissell, Thomas S. Boccock, Obadiah Bowne, John H. Boyd, John Bragg, John C. Breckinridge, George Briggs, George H. Brown, Lorenzo Burrows, Armistead Burt, George H. Busby, E. Carrington Cabell, Thompson Campbell, William M. Churchwell, Sherrard Clemens, Chauncey F. Cleveland, James L. Conger, William Cullom, Carlton B. Curtis, John R. J. Daniel, Charles Durkee, Alfred P. Edgerton, Henry A. Edmundson, Alexander Evans, Orlando B. Ficklin, Graham N. Fitch, Henry M. Fuller, James Gamble, Meredith P. Gentry, Ben. Edwards Grey, William T. Hamilton, Sampson W. Harris, Emanuel B. Hart, John H. H. Haws, Thomas A. Hendricks, Harry Hibbard, Junius Hillyer, Volney E. Howard, Thomas M. Howe, Thomas Y. How, jr., William F. Hunter, Colin M. Ingersoll, Willard Ives, James Johnson, John Johnson, Daniel T. Jones, George G. King, Preston King, Joseph H. Kuhns, Moses McDonald, James X. McLanahan, James Meacham, Richard K. Meade, Ahiman L. Miner, Charles H. Peaslee, John S. Phelps, William H. Polk, William Preston, Rodman M. Price, Isaac Reed, Thomas Ross, Joseph Russell, Lorenzo Sabine, Marius Schoonmaker, Zeno Scudder, William W. Snow, Benjamin Stanton, Thaddeus Stevens, Louis St. Martin, James F. Strother, Josiah Sutherland, John L. Taylor, Norton S. Townshend, Henry S. Walbridge, Thomas Y. Walsh, John Wells, Addison White, Alexander White, John A. Wilcox, Christopher H. Williams, Richard Yates. When,

On motion of Mr. Dean, all further proceedings in the call were dispensed with.

The journal was then read.

The following petitions and memorials were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Schoolcraft: The petition of the heirs and legal representatives of General Solomon Van Rensselaer, a soldier of the revolution, praying for a pension; which was referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions.

By Mr. Abercrombie: The petition of James Abercrombie, on behalf of the citizens of the State of Alabama, praying for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a railroad in said State.

By Mr. Brooks: The petition of the survivors of the war of 1812, their descendants, and fellow-citizens of the city and State of New York, praying for a modification of the bounty-land act of 1850.

By Mr. Florence: The petition of citizens of the city of Philadelphia, of like import with the foregoing.

By Mr. Cabell: The memorial of the legislature of the State of Florida, praying for the sale of certain reserved lands.

Ordered, That said petitions and memorial be referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Disney: The memorial of the members of the legislature of the State of Ohio, praying for the creation of an additional district court of the United States within said State; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Florence: The petition of the engravers in the Coast Survey

office at Washington city, praying that the benefits of the twenty per cent. granted at the last session be extended to them.

By Mr. Howard: The petition of Jose Antonio Navarro, of the State of Texas, praying to be paid his claim against said State on his filing with the government of the United States his release of the same.

By Mr. Sutherland: The petition of the Ocean Steam Navigation Company of New York, praying for increase of compensation for mail service between New York, Southampton, and Bremen.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

By Mr. Gilmore: The petition of citizens of the State of Pennsylvania, praying for the adjustment of national difficulties without war; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. Cabell: The joint resolutions of the State of Florida, praying for the clearing out the Ocklawaha river, in said State.

By Mr. Eastman: Two petitions of citizens of the State of Wisconsin, praying for the improvement of Grant River slough, at Potosi, in said State.

Ordered, That said petitions and resolutions be referred to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. David L. Seymour: The memorial of citizens of the city of New York, praying for the purchase of the memoir, maps, and charts of the coast survey of California, prepared from the survey of Captain Ringgold, of the navy, for distribution among the mercantile marine of the United States; which was referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Henn, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, bills and a joint resolution of the following titles, viz:

S. 238. An act for the relief of Thompson Hutchinson;

S. 239. An act for the relief of Elizabeth Jones and the other children (if any) of John Carr;

S. 276. An act for the relief of Colonel James R. Creecy;

S. 194. An act for the relief of Jacob Young;

S. 176. An act for the relief of William Bedient, late a sergeant in the 4th regiment of artillery;

S. 204. An act for the relief of Guion & McLaughlin;

S. 234. An act for the relief of James Glynn;

S. 195. An act for the relief of Margaret Farrar;

S. 16. A resolution for the relief of Alexander Y. P. Garnett;

S. 244. An act for the relief of the heirs of the late Major Thomas Noel, United States army;

S. 98. An act for the relief of Sarah D. Mackay;

S. 70. An act for the relief of the widows and relatives of certain officers and seamen of the United States brig Washington, who were lost overboard in a hurricane;

S. 582. An act concerning bail in civil causes in the District of Columbia;

S. 152. An act for the relief of Mary B. Renner, administratrix of Daniel Renner, deceased;

S. 407. An act for the relief of Jim Capers;

When

The Speaker signed the same.

Mr. Richardson, by unanimous consent, from the Committee on Territories, reported a bill (No. 353) "to organize the Territory of Nebraska;" which was read a first and second time, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, and ordered to be printed.

The Speaker announced as the business first in order the resolution submitted on yesterday by Mr. Houston, to close debate on the army bill, (No. 336;) the pending question being on the motion of Mr. Stanly to lay the same on the table.

And the question being put, Shall the said resolution be laid on the table?

It was decided in the affirmative.

The Speaker announced as the business next in order the bill of the Senate (No. 271) entitled "An act amendatory of existing laws relative to the half-dollar, quarter-dollar, dime, and half-dime"—reported on yesterday from the Committee of Ways and Means, with sundry amendments; the pending question being on the motion of Mr. Dunham to commit the same to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

After debate,

Mr. Freeman moved that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; which motion was disagreed to.

After further debate, the morning hour having expired,

Mr. Stuart moved that the House proceed to the consideration of business on the Speaker's table;

Pending which,

Mr. Dean moved that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurred on the motion of Mr. Stuart;

And being put, it was decided in the affirmative.

The House accordingly proceeded to the consideration of business on the Speaker's table.

When

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Comptroller of the Treasury, transmitting statements of the accounts which have been due more than three years prior to the 1st of July, 1852; which was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Bill of the House (No. 185) entitled "An act for the relief of Maurice K. Simons"—heretofore reported from the Senate with an amendment—was taken up, and the said amendment agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Bill of the House (No. 347) entitled "An act granting the right of way to the St. Louis and Iron Mountain Railroad Company"—heretofore reported from the Senate with amendments—was next taken up.

Pending the question on agreeing to the amendment to the body of the bill,

Mr. Thaddeus Stevens moved to amend the same by adding thereto the following, viz:

And be it further enacted, That the right of way shall be, and hereby is, granted to the Alleghany Valley Railroad Company, for the road of

the said company, over and across the grounds of the United States at and near the Alleghany arsenal, in the county of Alleghany, and State of Pennsylvania: *Provided*, That the route of the said railroad across the said grounds shall be approved by the Secretary of War before the same is entered upon for the purpose of constructing said railroad.

And provided, further, That the same can be granted without detriment to the public interest, in the opinion of the Secretary of War.

After debate,

Mr. Darby moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Will the House agree to the said amendment to the amendment?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

Under the further operation of the previous question, the said amendment, as amended, was agreed to.

The amendment to the title of the bill was then agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the said amendment to the amendment.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed bills of the following titles, viz: S. 601. An act for the relief of Moses Olmstead and Mrs. Elizabeth Craig; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House; and

H. R. 351. An act for the relief of Brevet Brigadier General Riley, and to enable him to settle his accounts with the United States.

I am directed by the Senate to furnish this House with a certified copy of the bill of the Senate (No. 358) entitled "An act directing a survey and estimate of the cost of constructing a canal basin at the terminus of the Chesapeake and Ohio canal, in Georgetown," as requested by the House.

And then he withdrew.

Bill of the Senate (No. 13) entitled "An act granting to the State of Wisconsin the right of way and a donation of public land for the purpose of locating and constructing certain railroads in that State," was taken up and read a first and second time.

Pending the question on its being ordered to a third reading,

Mr. Doty moved to amend the same by striking out the 5th section of the bill, and inserting, in lieu thereof, the following, viz:

And be it further enacted, That the lands hereby granted to said State shall be disposed of by said State only in manner following—that is to say: that a quantity of land not exceeding one hundred and twenty sections on each road, and included within a continuous length of twenty miles of said road, may be sold, and, when the governor of said State shall certify to the Secretary of the Interior that said twenty miles of said road is completed, then another like quantity of land hereby granted may be sold, and so from time to time until said roads be completed; and if said roads are not completed within ten years, no further sales shall be made for the road not completed, and the land granted for such road shall revert to the United States: *Provided*, That the said first-mentioned road shall commence at the city of Chicago, in the State of Illinois, and be run thence through Janesville and Fond du Lac, on Winnebago lake, to Lake Superior, and the said second road men-

tioned shall commence at La Crosse, and run thence through the county of Washington, in said State, to the city of Milwaukee.

Pending the question on agreeing to the said amendment,

Mr. Doty moved the previous question;

Pending which,

Mr. Letcher moved that the bill be laid on the table.

And the question being put on the latter motion,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 73
Nays..... 83

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. John Allison
Thomas H. Averett
David J. Bailey
John Bragg
George H. Busby
Joseph P. Caldwell
John S. Caskie
Elijah W. Chastain
William M. Churchwell
Sherrard Clemens
Williamson R. W. Cobb
William F. Colcock
William Cullom
Carlton B. Curtis
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick
Alfred Dockery
Henry A. Edmundson
Charles J. Faulkner
Thomas B. Florence
John G. Floyd
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James Gamble
James M. Gaylord

Mr. Alfred Gilmore
Galusha A. Grow
Sampson W. Harris
Augustus P. Hascall
Thomas A. Hehdricks
Harry Hibbard
George S. Houston
John W. Howe
Willard Ives
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
George W. Jones
George G. King
John Letcher
Moses McDonald
James K. McLanahan
Fayette McMullen
John McNair
John McQueen
John S. Millson
James T. Morehead
John A. Morrison
Charles Murphy
William Murray

Mr. James L. Orr
David Outlaw
Samuel W. Parker
Jared Perkins
Paulus Powell
John Robbins, jr.
Reuben Robie
John L. Robinson
Thomas Ross
Joseph Russell
John H. Savage
Charles Skelton
Thaddeus Stevens
Nathan T. Stratton
Josiah Sutherland
Charles Sweetser
Benjamin B. Thurston
Robert Toombs
Amos Tuck
Abraham W. Venable
Daniel Wallace
Albert G. Watkins
Isaac Wildrick
Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
Willis Allen
Nelson Barrere
Henry Bennett
Richard I. Bowie
Obadiah Bowne
Samuel Brenton
James Brooks
Albert G. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
E. Carrington Cabell
Lewis D. Campbell
Thompson Campbell
David K. Cartter
Joseph R. Chandler
Charles Chapman
Lincoln Clark
James L. Conger
Joseph S. Cottman
John F. Darby
John G. Davis
David T. Disney
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan

Mr. Charles Durkee
Ben. C. Eastman
Alfred P. Edgerton
Alexander Evans
Presley Ewing
Francis B. Fay
Orlando B. Ficklin
John D. Freeman
Robert Goodenow
Willis A. Gorman
Ben. Edwards Grey
Willard P. Hall
Alexander Harper
Solomon G. Haven
Bernhart Henn
Jerediah Horsford
Volney E. Howard
Thomas M. Howe
Joseph W. Jackson
J. Aristide Landry
Edward P. Little
James Lockhart
Daniel Mace
Frederick S. Martin

Mr. James Meacham
John G. Miller
Ahiman L. Miner
Richard S. Molony
Henry D. Moore
John Moore
Benjamin D. Nabers
Eben Newton
Edson B. Olds
Alexander G. Penn
Ebenezer J. Penniman
John S. Phelps
Gilchrist Porter
William Preston
Rodman M. Price
Lorenzo Sabine
William A. Sackett
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
John L. Schoolcraft
Richardson Scurry
Ephraim K. Smart
William R. Smith
William W. Snow
Edward Stanly

Mr. Benjamin Stanton
Frederick P. Stanton
Richard H. Stanton
Charles E. Stuart

Mr. John L. Taylor
William T. Ward
Israel Washburn, jr.
John Welch

Mr. Alexander White
John A. Wilcox
Richard Yates.

So the House refused to lay the bill on the table.

The question again recurring on the demand for the previous question,

Mr. Doty withdrew the same, and submitted the following amendment to the amendment, viz: add thereto the following:

And be it further enacted, That there are hereby severally granted to the States named herein the following amounts of public land, respectively, for the purposes hereinafter named, viz: To Missouri, three million acres; to Alabama, two million five hundred thousand acres; to Iowa, three million acres; to Michigan, three million acres; to Wisconsin, three million acres; to Louisiana, two million five hundred thousand acres; to Mississippi, two million five hundred thousand acres; to Florida, two million five hundred thousand acres; to Arkansas, three million acres; to California, three million acres; to Illinois, two million acres; to Indiana, all the public lands not sold, located, or reserved for public purposes, lying within her limits, and two million acres in addition thereto; to Ohio, all the public land not sold, located, or reserved for public purposes, lying within her limits, and two million five hundred thousand acres in addition thereto; and to each of the States of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Maryland, Virginia, Kentucky, and Tennessee, at the rate of one hundred and fifty thousand acres for each senator and representative in the Thirty-second Congress from said States, respectively; and to the District of Columbia, for the support of schools, five hundred thousand acres.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the eleven States in the preceding section first named are authorized to apply the proceeds of the lands hereby severally granted to them to aid in the construction of railroads in the said States, respectively. And a right of way through the public lands is hereby severally granted to the said States, and they are severally authorized to take necessary materials of earth, stone, and timber, for the construction of the said railroads, respectively, from the public lands adjacent thereto; and in locating each of the said railroads, and assigning the limits thereto, no more land shall be taken from the United States than is necessary for the convenient construction and use of each of said railroads, with double track, respectively, including stations and the public buildings of all kinds connected with said roads, turn-outs, and such other appurtenances as are necessary or usually enjoyed by first-class railroads; and a copy of the location of said several roads, respectively, as now made or hereafter to be made, shall be forwarded to the proper local land offices, and the General Land Office at Washington city, as soon as practicable after the same are completed, respectively, and shall be duly recorded; and there is hereby severally granted to each of the eleven States in the preceding section first named, respectively, the amount of land therein specified, for the purpose of making railroads therein, respectively, as aforesaid, to be taken

along the entire length of the line or route of said several railroads, so far as the United States own lands on the line of said several roads, in manner following, viz: every alternate section of land subject to private entry, and designated by odd numbers, for six miles in width on each side of said several railroads; but in case it shall appear that the United States have, when the lines or routes of any of said roads are definitely fixed in the manner and by the authority aforesaid, sold any section, or any part thereof, granted aforesaid, or that the right of pre-emption has attached to the same, then it shall be lawful for any agent or agents, to be appointed by the governor of each of the States, respectively, to select, subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, from the lands of the United States most contiguous to the tiers or sections above specified, so much land in alternate sections or parts of sections as shall be equal to such lands as the United States have sold, or to which the right of pre-emption has attached as aforesaid, which lands (thus selected in lieu of those sold, or to which pre-emption rights have attached as aforesaid, together with the sections or parts of sections designated by odd numbers as aforesaid, and appropriated as aforesaid) shall be held by each of the said eleven States first named, respectively, to the amount in the preceding section named for each of the said several States, for the uses and purposes aforesaid; but the lands to be so located and selected for and on account of each of said roads shall in no case be more than six sections of land for each mile of said road: *Provided*, That the lands hereby granted to the said eleven first-named States shall be exclusively applied to construct or aid in the construction of railroads in said States respectively, and shall be sold and disposed of only as the work progresses, and in proportion to the length of railroad completed upon each of said roads, and the same shall be applied to no other road or purpose: *And provided, also*, That any and all lands heretofore reserved to the United States by any act of Congress, or in any other manner by competent authority, for the purpose of aiding in any object of internal improvement, or for any other purpose whatever, shall be, and the same are hereby, reserved to the United States from the operation of this section, except so far as it may be found necessary to locate the routes of said railroad through such reserved lands—in which case the right of way only shall be, and is hereby granted.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That of the lands granted by this act to the several States of Missouri, Iowa, Wisconsin, Alabama, Michigan, Louisiana, Mississippi, Florida, Arkansas, Illinois, and California, a portion thereof shall be applied by each of said last-named States, respectively, in the manner and to the amount in the preceding section provided, to aid in the construction of the following lines of railroad, so far as the same are within the limits of said States, respectively; and a portion of the lands and land warrants hereinafter mentioned, granted to each of the States of Indiana and Ohio, shall be applied in like manner, at the rate of six sections per mile, to aid in the construction of the following railroads, so far as the same are within said States, respectively, viz:

First. From Manitowoc, via Menasha and Stevens's Point, to St. Paul's; from Madison, via the mouth of the Wisconsin, to the mouth of

the Big Sioux; from Iron bay, via the Iron mountains, to Little Bay Du Noc; from Sheboygan to the Mississippi river.

Second. From Toledo, via Hicksville, Fort Wayne, Lafayette, Peoria, and Burlington, to or near the mouth of the Platte river, with a branch to Keokuk; from La Salle, via Davenport and Iowa city, to Council Bluffs; from Fort Des Moines to Du Buque.

Third. From Belpre, via Athens, Chillicothe, Hillsboro', Cincinnati, and Vincennes, to St. Louis, and thence to the Iron mountain and Pilot Knob.

Fourth. From Girard to Mobile, and thence, via New Orleans and Opelousas, to the Sabine river; from New Orleans, via Jackson, to the Mobile and Ohio railroad, with a branch in the direction of Nashville, to the line of the State of Tennessee.

Fifth. From Montgomery, via Brandon, Vicksburg, and Shreveport, to the line of Texas, with a branch to Biloxi; from Montgomery to Pensacola; from St. Paul's, via the falls of the St. Croix, to the mouth of the St. Louis river.

Sixth. From Mobile, via Pensacola and Talahassee, to the St. Mary's or St. John's river, with branches to St. Mark's and to Tampa bay; from Pensacola, in the direction of Brunswick and Savannah, to the boundary line of the State of Florida.

Seventh. From Selma to Gunter's Landing; from the boundary line of Alabama, across Alabama and Mississippi, to the boundary line of Mississippi, along the line of the Charleston and Memphis railroad.

Eighth. From Louisville, Kentucky, via Vincennes, to Carlyle, with a branch to Alton; from Lafayette to Chicago.

Ninth. From Zilwaukie, via Grand Traverse bay, to Mackinaw; from Manitowoc, via Green bay, to Kewawana point, with a branch, via the principal copper mines, to the mouth of the Ontonagon river; from the mouth of the Marquette river, via Flint, to Pontiac, with a branch from Flint to Port Huron; from Pontiac to the mouth of the Grand river.

Tenth. From Gaines's Landing to Fulton; from Fulton, via Little Rock and the principal copper mines, to St. Louis; from Memphis, via Little Rock, to Fort Smith.

Eleventh. From Terre Haute to Alton, and also to Vernon; from Indianapolis to Springfield; from Allentown to the mouth of the Kansas; from Kansas to the mouth of the Platte river; from Quincy, via Galesburg, to Rockford; from Springfield to Chicago.

Twelfth. From a point opposite New Orleans, on the west side of the Mississippi river, on the most direct route, consistent with a good grade, upon good ground, to St. Louis; from Hermann, on the Missouri river, via Fort des Moines, to the southern bend of the Minnesota river.

Thirteenth. From San Francisco to San José, and also to Walker's pass, with a branch to the Columbia river, in Oregon.

And where any part of said designated lines of railroad is within any Territory of the United States, public lands are hereby granted to such Territory to the same amount, and to be taken in the same manner, as before specified, (to wit: in alternate sections, at the rate of six sections per mile,) to aid in the construction of said railroads within such Territory. Said railroads in all cases to be made on the most direct, feasible

routes; each State to take its lands, to aid in their construction, within its own limits, except Ohio and Indiana, and those States so far as may be, and the residue in land warrants, as hereinafter provided. And in case the amount granted to any one of said States is found insufficient, after an actual location of the roads on direct routes, to allow six sections per mile to the railroads in said State, hereinbefore specified, such State is hereby authorized to take, in the aforesaid manner, enough more of the public lands of the United States to make up such deficiency; and the residue of said lands granted to each of said States, not taken for said railroads, (if any,) may be applied, in the manner aforesaid, to aid in the construction of such other railroads as the legislatures of said States may respectively designate. And there is hereby granted to the States of Missouri, Alabama, and Mississippi, respectively, to aid in the construction of the railroads, for which grants were made by the act of Congress approved twentieth of September, eighteen hundred and fifty, and by the act approved tenth of June, eighteen hundred and fifty-two, a quantity of land sufficient, with the amount granted by said former acts, to give six sections per mile to each of said railroads, to be taken in the manner specified in this act: *Provided*, That said railroads in said several States and Territories shall be completed within ten years; and the land hereby granted to aid in their construction, so far as they shall not be completed within that time, shall revert to the United States.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the nineteen States in the first section of this act last named are severally authorized to apply the proceeds of the lands hereby severally granted to each of said States to the support of schools, or for other useful public purposes, except so far as is otherwise provided by the preceding section in regard to the lands granted to Indiana and Ohio. And the Commissioner of Public Lands, under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior, shall issue to each of said nineteen States and said District, respectively, land warrants to the amount in all to which each of said nineteen States and said District are respectively entitled under this act, (except so far as the lands granted to Ohio and Indiana are situated within the limits of said States;) and said nineteen States and said District are severally authorized to sell and dispose of said land warrants; and the same are to be valid and effectual in the hands of any owner or holder thereof, and may be located by such owner or holder upon any public lands for sale or subject to private entry, and the same fees to be paid therefor by the holders thereof. And the title of the land so located by any owner or holder of said land warrants shall be secured and perfected to such owner or holder in the same manner as other land warrants issued by the United States. Said land warrants shall be so engraved and printed as to prevent deception and counterfeiting; shall be signed by the Secretary of the Interior or the Commissioner of the Public Lands, or for them by such other persons as the Secretary may direct, and countersigned by the governor of each State receiving the same, or by such other officers as the said nineteen States and said District may respectively designate for that purpose; and said land warrants shall be for not less than eighty nor over one hundred and sixty acres each: *Provided*, That no State nor the said District shall be authorized to locate any warrants in

its own name or for its own benefit; and that no warrant issued under the provisions of this act shall be located upon any lands to which there shall be a pre-emption right, or on which there shall be an actual settlement and cultivation, except by the person holding such pre-emption right, or by such settler and cultivator.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That each and all of the railroads in any State in the Union, made either wholly or in part from the proceeds of the lands granted by this act, are hereby made and declared post-roads, and shall forever hereafter, at all times, transport the mails, military stores, forces, and property of the United States, under the direction of the proper officers thereof; and Congress may by law fix the rate of compensation to be allowed for such services.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That all mineral lands are hereby reserved to the United States from the operation of this act, except such as are, or hereafter may be, by law subject to private entry by individuals.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That all the land granted (by any other act) during the present Congress to any State, to aid in the construction of any railroad therein, shall be deducted from the amount granted by this act to said State.

The same having been read.

Mr. Doty demanded the previous question;

Pending which,

Mr. Hall made the point of order that the said amendment to the amendment was not in order;

Pending which,

Mr. Averett moved that the bill be laid on the table.

And the question being put,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 76
Nays..... 93

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
John Appleton
Thomas H. Averett
David J. Bailey
Thomas S. Bacock
John Bragg
Joseph Cable
Thompson Campbell
David K. Cartter
John S. Caslie
Elijah W. Chaatain
William M. Churchwell
Sherrard Clemens
Williamson R. W. Cobb
William F. Colcock
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick
Alfred Dockery
Cyrus L. Dunham
Henry A. Edmundson
Thomas B. Florence
John G. Floyd
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James Gamble
James M. Gaylord

Mr. Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Galusha A. Grow
Willard P. Hall
Sampson W. Harris
Augustus P. Hascall
Thomas A. Hendricks
Harry Hibbard
Alexander R. Holladay
George S. Houston
Volney E. Howard
Willard Ives
Joseph W. Jackson
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
John Johnson
George W. Jones
J. Glancy Jones
John Letcher
Moses McDonald
James X. McLanahan
Fayette McMullen
John McNair
John McQueen
Richard K. Meade

Mr. John S. Millson
Richard S. Molony
John A. Morrison
Charles Murphy
William Murray
Edson B. Olds
James L. Orr
Charles H. Peaalee
Paulus Powell
John Robbins, jr.
Reuben Robie
John L. Robinson
Thomas Ross
Joseph Russell
John H. Savage
Charles Skelton
William R. Smith
Thaddeus Stevens
Nathan T. Stratton
Josiah Sutherland
Charles Sweetser
Robert Toombs
Alexander White
Isaac Wildrick
Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Charles Allen	Mr. Alfred P. Edgerton	Mr. Benjamin D. Nabers
Willia Allen	Alexander Evans	Eben Newton
John Allison	Presley Ewing	David Outlaw
William Appleton	Francis B. Fay	Samuel W. Parker
Nelson Barrere	Orlando B. Ficklin	Alexander G. Penn
Henry Bennett	John D. Freeman	Ebenezer J. Penniman
Richard I. Bowie	Henry M. Fuller	Jared Perkins
Obadiah Bowne	Joshua R. Giddings	John S. Phelps
Samuel Brenton	Alfred Gilmore	Gilchrist Porter
James Brooks	Robert Goodenow	William Preston
Albert G. Brown	Ben. Edwards Grey	Rodman M. Price
Lorenzo Burrows	Alexander Harper	George Read Riddle
E. Carrington Cabell	Solomon G. Haven	William A. Sackett -
Joseph P. Caldwell	Bernhart Henn	Abr'm M. Schermer
Lewis D. Campbell	Jerediah Horsford	John L. Schoolcraft
Joseph R. Chandler	John W. Howe	Marius Schoonmaker
Charles Chapman	Thomas M. Howe	Ephraim K. Smart
Lincoln Clark	George G. King	William W. Snow
Thomas L. Clingman	J. Aristide Landry	Edward Stanly
James L. Conger	Edward P. Little	Benjamin Stanton
Joseph S. Cottman	James Lockhart	Frederick P. Stanton
William Cullom	Daniel Mace	John L. Taylor
Carlton B. Curtis	Horace Mann	Benjamin B. Thurston
John F. Darby	Frederick S. Martin	Amos Tuck
George T. Davis	Joseph W. McCorkle	Abraham W. Venable
John G. Davis	James Meacham	William T. Ward
David T. Disney	John G. Miller	Israel Washburn, jr.
James Duane Doty	Ahiman L. Miner	Albert G. Watkins
James H. Duncan	Henry D. Moore	John Welch
Charles Durkee	John Moore	John A. Wilcox
Ben. C. Eastman	James T. Morehead	Richard Yates.

So the House again refused to lay the bill on the table.

Mr. George W. Jones moved a call of the House ;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Cartter,

At 3 o'clock and 20 minutes p. m. the House adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock m.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1853.

Before the reading of the journal, there being no quorum present,

On motion of Mr. Cable,

Ordered, That there be a call of the House.

The roll was then called, and the following named members failed to answer to their names, viz :

William Aiken, John Allison, John Appleton, William S. Ashe, Thomas H. Bayly, Nelson Barrere, Thomas M. Bibighaus, William H. Bissell, Thomas S. Bocock, Obadiah Bowne, John H. Boyd, John C. Breckinridge, George H. Brown, Armistead Burt, E. Carrington Cabell, Lewis D. Campbell, William M. Churchwell, Chauncey F. Cleveland, William F. Colcock, James L. Conger, Joseph S. Cottman, William Cullom, Carlton B. Curtis, John R. J. Daniel, George T. Davis, David T. Disney, Charles Durkee, Alexander Evans, Presley Ewing, Graham N. Fitch, Thomas B. Florence, Henry M. Fuller, Joshua R. Giddings, Alfred Gilmore, John Z. Goodrich, Emanuel B. Hart, John H. H. Haws, William Hebard, Volney E. Howard,

Thomas Y. How, jr., William F. Hunter, Timothy Jenkins, James Johnson, Daniel T. Jones, George G. King, Preston King, Joseph H. Kuhns, Daniel Mace, Horace Mann, Edward C. Marshall, James X. McLanahan, Fayette McMullen, John McQueen, Richard K. Meade, Charles Murphy, Edson B. Olds, Charles H. Peaslee, William H. Polk, Rodman M. Price, Thomas Ross, Joseph Russell, John H. Savage, John L. Schoolcraft, Marius Schoonmaker, Zeno Scudder, William W. Snow, Thaddeus Stevens, Louis St. Martin, James F. Strother, Charles E. Stuart, Norton S. Townshend, Amos Tuck, Henry S. Walbridge, Thomas Y. Walsh, John Wells, Addison White, Alexander White, Isaac Wildrick, Joseph A. Woodward, Richard Yates.

When,

On motion by Mr. John G. Davis, all further proceedings in the call were dispensed with.

The journal having been read,

The following petitions and other papers were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Cable: The petition of Esther Vanemburgh, daughter and heir of Joseph Lull, a soldier of the war of the revolution, praying for relief; which was referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions.

By Mr. Perkins: The petition of Benjamin Rowe—heretofore presented December 22, 1841; which was referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. Burrows: The petition of citizens of the State of New York, praying for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a ship-canal around the Falls of Niagara.

By Mr. Gorman: The petition of citizens of the State of Indiana, praying for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a railroad from Evansville to Crawfordsville, in said State.

By Mr. Ingersoll: The petition of citizens of the State of Connecticut, praying for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a railroad from Detroit, in the State of Michigan, to Lake Superior.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Darby: The petition of M. S. Cerre, Peter D. Papin, and Catharine Papin, praying that certain land may be confirmed; which was referred to the Committee on Private Land Claims.

By Mr. Evans: The petitions of Joseph Mahan and William S. Mahan, praying for additional compensation for taking the census of 1850.

By Mr. Sutherland: Additional papers as evidence, accompanying the memorial of the Ocean Steam Navigation Company; which were referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

By Mr. Murray: The petition of citizens of the State of New York, praying Congress to adopt means to secure the rights of conscience and public worship to American citizens in foreign lands.

By Mr. Briggs: Eight petitions of citizens of the State of New York, of like import with the foregoing.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. John Moore: The petition of citizens of New Orleans, in the State of Louisiana, praying that the port of New Orleans be extended; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. Darby: The petition of Corwin Watson, of the State of Missouri, praying for the enactment of a law to authorize him to construct a national railroad from the Mississippi river to the Pacific ocean; which was referred to the Committee on Roads and Canals.

Mr. Henn, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee did, on the 2d instant, present to the President of the United States bills and a joint resolution of the following titles, viz:

S. 70. An act for the relief of the widows and relatives of certain officers and seamen of the United States brig Washington, who were lost overboard in a hurricane;

S. 98. An act for the relief of Sarah D. Mackay;

S. 244. An act for the relief of the heirs of the late Major Thomas Noel, United States army;

S. 16. A resolution for the relief of Alexander Y. P. Garnett;

S. 195. An act for the relief of Margaret Farrar;

S. 234. An act for the relief of James Glynn;

S. 204. An act for the relief of Guion and McLaughlin;

S. 176. An act for the relief of William Bedient, late a sergeant in the 4th regiment of artillery;

S. 194. An act for the relief of Jacob Young;

S. 276. An act for the relief of Colonel James R. Creecy;

S. 239. An act for the relief of Elizabeth Jones and the other children, if any, of John Carr;

S. 238. An act for the relief of Thompson Hutchinson;

S. 582. An act concerning bail in civil causes in the District of Columbia;

S. 152. An act for the relief of Mary B. Renner, administratrix of Daniel Renner, deceased;

S. 407. An act for the relief of Jim Capers;

S. 477. An act to continue half-pay to certain widows and orphans.

Mr. Wildrick, from the same committee, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, bills and a joint resolution of the following titles, viz:

● H. R. 199. An act for the relief of the legal representatives of Bernard Todd, deceased;

H. R. 351. An act for the relief of Brevet Brigadier General Bennett Riley, and to enable him to settle his accounts with the United States;

H. R. 28. Joint resolution granting the petition of William and Matthew Moss;

H. R. 185. An act for the relief of Maurice K. Simons;

H. R. 160. An act for the relief of the heirs of Jeremiah Wingate; when

The Speaker signed the same.

Mr. Hall, from the Committee on Public Lands, by unanimous consent, reported a bill (No. 354) "granting bounty land to certain volunteers of the Territory of Oregon;" which was read a first and second time, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, and ordered to be printed.

The House then resumed the consideration of the bill of the Senate (No. 271) entitled "An act amendatory of existing laws relative to the half-dollar, quarter-dollar, dime, and half-dime"—heretofore reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, with sundry amendments;

the pending question being on the motion of Mr. Dunham, to commit the same to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

After debate, the morning hour having expired,

Mr. Orr moved that the House proceed to the consideration of business on the Speaker's table;

Pending which,

Mr. Houston moved that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. Stanly made the point of order, that the pending motions were not in order, on the ground that the bill of the Senate (No. 13) entitled "An act granting to the State of Wisconsin the right of way, and a donation of public land, for the purpose of locating and constructing certain railroads in that State"—being "the unfinished business in which the House was engaged at the adjournment on yesterday"—is, under the 58th rule, entitled to preference in the orders of the day.

The Speaker overruled the point of order, on the ground that the motion to go into Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union was, under the rule, authorized to be put at *any time*.

From this decision of the Chair, Mr. Stanly appealed;

When, on motion of Mr. Letcher, the appeal was laid on the table.

The question was then put on the motion of Mr. Houston; and

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 79
Nays..... 88

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. Thomas H. Averett
James M. H. Beale
Thomas S. Bocoock
John Bragg
Albert G. Brown
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
Lewis D. Campbell
Thompson Campbell
John S. Caskie
Elijah W. Chastain
William M. Churchwell
Sherrard Clemens
William Cullom
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dinmick
Alfred Dockery
Orlando B. Ficklin
John G. Floyd
James Gamble
James M. Gaylord
Joshua R. Giddings
Willis A. Gorman
Galusha A. Groves
William T. Hamilton
Isam G. Hargis

Mr. Sampson W. Harris
Solomon G. Haven
Thomas A. Hendricks
Harry Hibbard
Alexander R. Holladay
George S. Houston
Volney E. Howard
Colin M. Ingersoll
Willard Ives
Joseph W. Jackson
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
John Johnson
George W. Jones
J. Glancy Jones
William H. Kurtz
John Letcher
James Lockhart
John C. Mason
James X. McLanahan
John McNair
Richard K. Meade
John S. Millson
James T. Morehead
Charles Murphy
William Murray

Mr. David Outlaw
Andrew Parker
Charles H. Peaslee
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Jared Perkins
John S. Phelps
William A. Richardson
John Robbins, jr.
Reuben Robie
Thomas Ross
Joseph Russell
John H. Savage
John L. Schoolcraft
Marius Schoonmaker
Origen S. Seymour
Charles Skelton
Ephraim K. Smart
Benjamin Stanton
Richard H. Stanton
Thaddeus Stevens
Louis St. Martin
Nathan T. Stratton
Benjamin B. Thurston
Albert G. Watkins
Isaac Wildrick
Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
Charles Allen
William Appleton

Mr. Leander Babcock
David J. Bailey
Nelson Barrere

Mr. Thomas Bartlett, jr.
Hiram Bell
Henry Bennett

Mr. Thomas M. Bibbhaus
 Richard I. Bowie
 Obadiah Bowne
 Samuel Brenton
 George Briggs
 James Brooks
 Lorenzo Burrows
 E. Carrington Cabell
 Joseph P. Caldwell
 David K. Cartter
 Joseph R. Chandler
 Charles Chapman
 Thomas L. Clingman
 Williamson R. W. Cobb
 William F. Colcock
 James L. Conger
 Carlton B. Curtis
 John F. Darby
 George T. Davis
 John G. Davis
 James Duane Doty
 James H. Duncan
 Charles Durkee
 Ben. C. Eastman
 Alfred P. Edgerton
 Alexander Evans
 Prealey Ewing

Mr. Francis B. Fay
 Thomas B. Florence
 John D. Freeman
 Henry M. Fuller
 Thomas J. D. Fuller
 Alfred Gilmore
 Robert Goodenow
 Frederick W. Green
 Ben. Edwards Grey
 Alexander Harper
 Bernhart Henn
 John W. Howe
 Thomas M. Howe
 George G. King
 J. Aristide Landry
 Edward P. Little
 Daniel Mace
 Frederick S. Martin
 Moses McDonald
 John McQueen
 Ahiman L. Miner
 Henry D. Moore
 John Moore
 John A. Morrison
 Benjamin D. Nabers
 Eben Newton

Mr. Samuel W. Parker
 Alexander G. Penn
 Gilchrist Porter
 Paulus Powell
 William Preston
 Rodman M. Price
 Isaac Reed
 George Read Riddle
 William A. Sackett
 Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
 David L. Seymour
 William R. Smith
 William W. Snow
 Edward Stanly
 Abr'm P. Stephens
 Alexander H. Stephens
 Charles E. Stuart
 John L. Taylor
 Amos Tuck
 Abraham W. Venable
 Daniel Wallace
 William T. Ward
 Israel Washburn, jr.
 John Welch
 John A. Wilcox
 Richard Yates.

So the House refused to resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

The question then recurred on the motion of Mr. Orr; and being put, it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Mace having called up the motion submitted at the last session by Mr. Buell, to lay on the table the motion to reconsider the vote by which the bill of the House (No. 300) "to admit railroad iron free of duty," was laid on the table.

The question was put;

And decided in the affirmative, { Yeas	95
{ Nays	82

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
 John Appleton
 William Appleton
 Thomas H. Averett
 Leander Babcock
 David J. Bailey
 James M. H. Beale
 Henry Bennett
 Richard I. Bowie
 Lorenzo Burrows
 George H. Busby
 Joseph Cable
 Joseph R. Chandler
 Charles Chapman
 Lincoln Clark
 Carlton B. Curtis
 George T. Davis
 John L. Dawson
 Gilbert Dean
 Milo M. Dimmick
 James H. Duncan
 Alfred P. Edgerton

Mr. Alexander Evans
 Charles J. Faulkner
 Francis B. Fay
 Orlando B. Ficklin
 Thomas B. Florence
 John G. Floyd
 Henry M. Fuller
 James Gamble
 James M. Gaylord
 Alfred Gilmore
 Robert Goodenow
 Galusha A. Grow
 William T. Hamilton
 Isham G. Harris
 Augustus P. Hascall
 Solomon G. Haven
 Harry Hibbard
 Alexander R. Holladay
 Jerediah Horsford
 George S. Houston
 John W. Howe
 Thomas M. Howe

Mr. Collin M. Ingersoll
 Willard Ives
 Timothy Jenkins
 Andrew Johnson
 John Johnson
 George W. Jones
 J. Glancy Jones
 George G. King
 John Letcher
 Edward P. Little
 Frederick S. Martin
 John C. Mason
 Moses McDonald
 James X. McLanahan
 John McNair
 James Meacham
 Ahiman L. Miner
 Henry D. Moore
 John A. Morrison
 Charles Murphy
 William Murray
 Eben Newton

Mr. Andrew Parker
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Jared Perkins
John S. Phelps
Rodman M. Price
Isaac Reed
George Read Riddle
John Robbins, jr.
Reuben Robie
Joseph Russell

Mr. Lorenzo Sabine
William A. Sackett
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
John L. Schoolcraft
Marius Schoonmaker
David L. Seymour
Origen S. Seymour
Charles Skelton
William W. Snow
Benjamin Stanton

Mr. Abr'm P. Stephens
Thaddeus Stevens
Nathan T. Stratton
Charles E. Stuart
Josiah Sutherland
Benjamin B. Thurston
Amos Tuck
Israel Washburn, jr.
Isaac Wildrick.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
Nelson Barrere
Hiram Bell
Thomas S. Bocoek
Obadiah Bowne
John Bragg
Samuel Brenton
George Briggs
James Brooks
Albert G. Brown
E. Carrington Cabell
Joseph P. Caldwell
Lewis D. Campbell
Thompson Campbell
David K. Carter
John S. Caskie
Elijah W. Chastain
William M. Churchwell
Sherrard Clemens
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
William F. Colcock
James L. Conger
Joseph S. Cottman
William Cullom
John F. Darby
John G. Davis
David T. Disney

Mr. Alfred Dockery
Ben. C. Eastman
Henry A. Edmundson
Presley Ewing
John D. Freeman
Meredith P. Gentry
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Ben. Edwards Grey
Willard P. Hall
Alexander Harper
Sampson W. Harris
Thomas A. Hendricks
Bernhart Henn
Volney E. Howard
Joseph W. Jackson
Robert W. Johnson
J. Aristide Landry
James Lockhart
Daniel Mace
Joseph W. McCorkle
John McQueen
Richard K. Meade
John G. Miller
John S. Milleon
Richard S. Molony
John Moore

Mr. James T. Morehead
Benjamin D. Nabers
Edson B. Olds
James L. Orr
David Outlaw
Samuel W. Parker
Alexander G. Penn
Gilchrist Porter
Paulus Powell
William Preston
William A. Richardson
Thomas Ross
Richardson Scurry
Ephraim K. Smart
William R. Smith
Frederick P. Stanton
Alexander H. Stephens
Louis St. Martin
John L. Taylor
Abraham W. Venable
Daniel Wallace
William T. Ward
Albert G. Watkins
John Welch
John A. Wilcox
Joseph A. Woodward
Richard Yates.

So the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Mr. Gorman, from the Committee on Printing, to whom was referred a resolution on the subject of printing the census report, made a report thereon, accompanied by a joint resolution (No. 31) "providing for printing and binding the returns of the Seventh Census;" which was read a first and second time, and ordered to be printed.

Pending the question on its engrossment,

Mr. Gorman moved that it be recommitted to the Committee on Printing;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Alexander H. Stephens,

Ordered, That its further consideration be postponed until Saturday next.

The Speaker then, in pursuance of the order to go to business on his table, laid before the House the following executive documents, viz :

I. A letter from the Acting Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting estimates of the expenses of the legislative assembly of the Territory of Minnesota for the next fiscal year.

Ordered, That the said letter and accompanying estimates be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means, and printed.

II. A letter from the Acting Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a statement of the expenditures of the contingent fund of his department.

Ordered, That the said letter and accompanying documents be laid on the table, and printed.

The Speaker having announced as the business first in order, in the class of Senate bills on their first and second reading, the bill of the Senate (No. 90) entitled "An act granting to the State of Michigan the right of way, and a donation of public lands, for the purpose of constructing a canal or railroad across the peninsula of Michigan,"

Mr. Stanly made the point of order that the bill of the Senate (No. 13) entitled "An act granting to the State of Wisconsin the right of way, and a donation of public land, for the purpose of locating and constructing certain railroads in that State," in the consideration of which the House was engaged when it adjourned on yesterday, "being read a second time, no motion being made to commit, no objection being made to its third reading," and the previous question demanded, the bill remains in the third class undisposed of by the rule or by the House, and is the first in order when the Speaker again reaches this class of business, as he has now done.

The Speaker stated that when the House passed from the consideration of the said bill No. 13, it had been read a second time, and had thereby become a bill "on being ordered to a third reading," and was, therefore, in the fifth class of business on his table. If, as was contended, it was to be treated as the "unfinished business of the preceding day," it would then occupy a still less prominent position, as the 58th rule would place it in the "orders of the day;" which could only be reached after all the other business on the table was disposed of.

From this decision of the Chair, Mr. Doty appealed;

When,

On motion of Mr. Dean, it was ordered that the said appeal be laid on the table.

So the decision of the Chair was sustained.

On motion of Mr. Dean, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Albert G. Brown reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the bill of the House (No. 336) "making appropriations for the support of the army for the year ending June 30, 1854," had come to no resolution thereon.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a bill of this House of the following title, viz:

H. R. 265. An act for the relief of Joseph M. Wilcoxon, of the State of Missouri, without amendment.

The Senate have also passed bills of the following titles, viz:

S. 587. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to issue certificates of registry or enrolment to American built vessels in certain cases;

S. 597. An act for the relief of Mrs. Mary Perry;
in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

Mr. Doty moved to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to lay upon the table the bill of the Senate (No. 13) "granting to the State of Wisconsin the right of way, and donation of public land, for the purpose of locating and constructing certain railroads in that State," and the amendments thereto.

And then,

On motion of Mr. Letcher,

At 3 o'clock and 40 minutes p. m. the House adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1853.

Before the reading of the journal, no quorum being present,
Mr. Dean moved a call of the House.

And the question being put,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 58
 { Nays..... 61

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. John Allison
William Appleton
William S. Ashe
Thomas H. Averett
Samuel Brenton
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
Joseph P. Caldwell
Joseph R. Chandler
Lincoln Clark
John D. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick
Alfred Dockery
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Alfred P. Edgerton
Charles J. Faulkner
John D. Freeman
Thomas J. D. Fuller

Mr. James Gamble
Ben. Edwards Grey
Alexander R. Holladay
Jerediah Horsford
George S. Houston
John W. Howe
Thomas M. Howe
Colin M. Ingersoll
Joseph W. Jackson
Andrew Johnson
George W. Jones
J. Glancy Jones
William H. Kurtz
John Letcher
Daniel Mace
Frederick S. Martin
Moses McDonald
James X. McLanahan
John McNair

Mr. John S. Millson
Richard S. Molony
Henry D. Moore
James T. Morehead
David Outlaw
Samuel W. Parker
Jared Perkins
John S. Phelps
William H. Polk
Rodman M. Price
William A. Richardson
John L. Robinson
John L. Schoolcraft
Charles Skelton
Edward Stanly
Benjamin B. Thurston
Abraham W. Venable
Daniel Wallace
Albert G. Watkins.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
Willis Allen
David J. Bailey
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibighaus
James Brooks
David K. Cartter
John S. Caskie
Charles Chapman
Elijah W. Chastain
Williamson R. W. Cobb
William F. Colcock
Joseph S. Cottman
William Cullom
John R. J. Daniel
John F. Darby

Mr. John G. Davis
David T. Disney
Ben. C. Eastman
John G. Floyd
James M. Gaylord
Robert Goodenow
Galusha A. Grow
Willard P. Hall
Alexander Harper
Isham G. Harris
Augustus P. Hascall
Bernhart Henn
Harry Hibbard
Timothy Jenkins
James Johnson
Robert W. Johnson

Mr. John C. Mason
John McQueen
John G. Miller
John Moore
Charles Murphy
William Murray
Benjamin D. Nabers
Edson B. Olds
Andrew Parker
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Paulus Powell
William Preston
Reuben Robie
John H. Savage
Marius Schoonmaker
Richardson Scurry

Mr. David L. Seymour
Origen S. Seymour
Ephraim K. Smart
Benjamin Stanton
Frederick P. Stanton

Mr. Richard H. Stanton
Abr'm P. Stephens
Thaddeus Stevens
James W. Stone

Mr. Charles Sweetser
John Welch
Isaac Wildrick
Christopher H. Williams.

So the House refused a call.

A quorum being present, the journal was then read.

Mr. Averett moved to amend the journal by inserting the motion of Mr. Letcher, to adjourn, before the motion of Mr. Doty, to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to lay on the table bill of the Senate No. 13.

After debate,

Mr. McLanahan moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Shall the journal be amended?

And it was decided in the negative.

So the House refused to amend the journal.

The following petitions and resolutions were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. John G. Davis: A joint resolution of the legislature of the State of Indiana, in relation to granting one hundred and sixty acres of land to actual settlers.

By Mr. Hendricks: A joint resolution of the legislature of the State of Indiana, of like import with the foregoing.

Ordered, That said resolutions be referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Thomas J. D. Fuller: The memorial of citizens of the State of New York, in support of the petition of Alden & Eddy, praying for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a line of telegraph from the Atlantic to the Pacific ocean; which was referred to the Committee on Territories.

By Mr. Ashe: The petition of clerks in the departments in Washington city, praying that the per cent. granted upon their salaries by the act of last session be continued to them; which was referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

By Mr. Briggs: The petition of the members of the senate of the State of New York, praying that measures be taken to secure the liberty of conscience to all American citizens in all nations of the earth; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. Richard H. Stanton: The petition of Harrison Hough, praying for a salary for services as purser's clerk from 1st January, 1847, to 9th September, 1847; which was referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

Mr. George W. Jones, by unanimous consent, from the joint committee heretofore appointed to ascertain and report a mode of counting the votes for President and Vice President, &c., made a report thereon.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed the following resolution, viz:

"Resolved, That the two houses will assemble in the chamber of the House of Representatives on Wednesday, the 9th instant, at 12 o'clock, and the President of the Senate *pro tempore* shall be the presiding officer; that one person be appointed a teller on the part of the Senate,

and two on the part of the House of Representatives, to make a list of the votes as they shall be declared; that the result shall be delivered to the President of the Senate *pro tempore*, who shall announce the state of the vote, and the persons elected, to the two houses assembled, as aforesaid, which shall be deemed a declaration of the persons elected President and Vice President of the United States, and, together with a list of votes, be entered on the journals of the two houses;

"Ordered, That Mr. Hunter be the teller on the part of the Senate;" in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. George W. Jones, by unanimous consent, the said message was taken up, and the said resolution concurred in.

On motion of Mr. George W. Jones,

Ordered, That the Speaker be authorized to appoint the two tellers provided for in the said resolution.

The Speaker thereupon appointed Mr. George W. Jones and Mr. Chandler.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to lay upon the table the bill of the Senate (No. 13) entitled "An act granting to the State of Wisconsin the right of way and a donation of public land for the purpose of locating and constructing certain railroads in that State," submitted by Mr. Doty on yesterday, being called up,

Mr. Dean made the point of order that it was not in order to move to reconsider a vote by which the House had refused to lay a measure upon the table; the motion to lay upon the table, like that to adjourn, being one that can be made at any time, without that necessity for a reconsideration which exists in other cases.

The Speaker stated that while he was willing to admit that the weight of argument might be on the side of the gentleman from New York, (Mr. Dean,) the precedents were the other way, and he was not disposed to change the practice. He therefore overruled the point of order.

From this decision of the Chair, Mr. George W. Jones appealed.

When

Mr. David L. Seymour moved that the appeal be laid on the table.

And the question being put on the latter motion,

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas 110
Nays 57

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. Charles Allen

Willis Allen

John Allison

William Appleton

Leander Babcock

Nelson Barrere

Thomas Bartlett, jr.

Hiram Bell

Henry Bennett

Thomas M. Bibighaus

Richard I. Bowie

Obadiah Bowne

Mr. John Bragg

Samuel Brenton

George Briggs

James Brooks

Albert G. Brown

Lorenzo Burrows

George H. Busby

Joseph P. Caldwell

Lewis D. Campbell

Joseph R. Chandler

Charles Chapman

Lincoln Clark

Mr. Sherrard Clemens

James L. Conger

Joseph S. Cottman

William Cullom

John F. Darby

George T. Davis

John G. Davis

David T. Disney

Alfred Dockery

James Duane Doty

James H. Duncan

Charles Durkee

Mr. Ben. C. Eastman	Mr. Frederick S. Martin	Mr. David L. Seymour
Alfred P. Edgerton	John C. Mason	Origen S. Seymour
Alexander Evans	John McNair	Ephraim K. Smart
Francis B. Fay	James Meacham	William R. Smith
John D. Freeman	John G. Miller	William W. Snow
Henry M. Fuller	Ahiman L. Miner	Edward Stanly
James Gamble	Henry D. Moore	Benjamin Stanton
Meredith P. Gentry	John Moore	Abr'm P. Stephens
Joshua R. Giddings	John A. Morrison	Thaddeus Stevens
Robert Goodenow	Benjamin D. Nabers	Louis St. Martin
Ben. Edwards Grey	Eben Newton	Nathan T. Stratton
Alexander Harper	David Outlaw	Charles Sweetser
Solomon G. Haven	Andrew Parker	Benjamin B. Thurston
Thomas A. Hendricks	Samuel W. Parker	Robert Toombs
Bernhart Henn	Ebenezer J. Penniman	Amos Tuck
Jerediah Horsford	Jared Perkins	Abraham W. Venable
John W. Howe	Gilchrist Porter	William T. Ward
Thomas M. Howe	George Read Riddle	Israel Washburn, jr.
Willard Ives	Reuben Robie	Albert G. Watkins
Andrew Johnson	John L. Robinson	John Welch
James Johnson	Lorenzo Sabine	John A. Wilcox
George G. King	William A. Sackett	Christopher H. Williams
J. Aristide Landry	John L. Schoolcraft	Joseph A. Woodward
Edward P. Little	Marius Schoonmaker	Richard Yates.
Daniel Mace	Richardson Scurry	

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. William S. Ashe	Mr. John G. Floyd	Mr. John Letcher
Thomas H. Averett	Thomas J. D. Fuller	James Lockhart
David J. Bailey	James M. Gaylord	James X. McLanahan
James M. H. Beale	Alfred Gilmore	John McQueen
Thomas S. Bocock	Willis A. Gorman	John S. Millson
Joseph Cable	Galusha A. Grow	Richard S. Molony
Thompson Campbell	Willard P. Hall	Charles Murphy
John S. Caskie	William T. Hamilton	William Murray
Elijah W. Chastain	Isham G. Harris	Edson B. Olds
William M. Churchwell	Sampson W. Harris	Charles H. Peaslee
Thomas L. Clingman	Harry Hibbard	Alexander G. Penn
Williamson R. W. Cobb	Alexander R. Holladay	Paulus Powell
William F. Colcock	George S. Houston	William A. Richardson
Carlton B. Curtis	Joseph W. Jackson	Thomas Ross
John L. Dawson	Timothy Jenkins	Joseph Russell
Gilbert Dean	John Johnson	Charles Skelton
Milo M. Dimmick	George W. Jones	Charles E. Stuart
Charles J. Faulkner	J. Glancy Jones	Daniel Wallace
Thomas B. Florence	William H. Kurtz	Isaac Wildrick.

So the appeal was laid on the table, and the decision of the Chair sustained.

The Speaker then stated the question to be on the aforesaid motion of Mr. Doty to reconsider;

Pending which,

Mr. Dean moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table.

And the question being put on the latter motion,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 82
Nays..... 91

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie	Mr. David J. Bailey	Mr. George H. Busby
John Allison	Thomas Bartlett, jr.	Joseph Cable
John Appleton	James M. H. Beale	Thompson Campbell
William Appleton	Thomas S. Bocock	David K. Carter
Thomas H. Averett	John Bragg	John S. Caskie

Mr. Elijah W. Chastain
 William M. Churchwell
 Sherrard Clemens
 Williamson R. W. Cobb
 William F. Colcock
 John R. J. Daniel
 John L. Dawson
 Gilbert Dean
 Alfred Dockery
 Charles J. Faulkner
 Thomas B. Florence
 John G. Floyd
 Thomas J. D. Fuller
 James Gamble
 James M. Gaylord
 Joshua R. Giddings
 Alfred Gilmore
 Willis A. Gorman
 Galusha A. Grow
 Willard P. Hall
 William T. Hamilton
 Isham G. Harris
 Sampson W. Harris

Mr. Thomas A. Hendricks
 Harry Hibbard
 Alexander R. Holladay
 George S. Houston
 Volney E. Howard
 Willard Ives
 Joseph W. Jackson
 Timothy Jenkins
 Andrew Johnson
 John Johnson
 George W. Jones
 J. Glancy Jones
 William H. Kurtz
 John Letcher
 James Lockhart
 John C. Mason
 James X. McLanahan
 Fayette McMullen
 John McNair
 John McQueen
 Richard K. Meade
 John S. Millson
 Richard S. Molony

Mr. Charles Murphy
 William Murray
 Edson B. Olds
 Samuel W. Parker
 Charles H. Peaslee
 John S. Phelps
 Paulus Powell
 William A. Richardson
 Reuben Robie
 John L. Robinson
 Thomas Ross
 Joseph Russell
 John H. Savage
 David L. Seymour
 Charles Skelton
 William R. Smith
 Benjamin Stanton
 Nathan T. Stratton
 Josiah Sutherland
 Charles Sweetser
 Daniel Wallace
 Isaac Wildrick
 Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
 Willis Allen
 Nelson Barrere
 Hiram Bell
 Henry Bennett
 Thomas M. Bibighans
 Richard I. Bowie
 Obadiah Bowne
 Samuel Brenton
 George Briggs
 James Brooks
 Albert G. Brown
 Lorenzo Burrows
 Joseph P. Caldwell
 Lewis D. Campbell
 Joseph R. Chandler
 Charles Chapman
 Thomas L. Clingman
 James L. Conger
 Joseph S. Cottman
 William Cullom
 John F. Darby
 George T. Davis
 James Duane Doty
 James H. Duncan
 Charles Durkee
 Ben. C. Eastman
 Alfred P. Edgerton
 Alexander Evans
 Francis B. Fay
 John D. Freeman

Mr. Henry D. Fuller
 Meredith P. Gentry
 Robert Goodenow
 Ben. Edwards Grey
 Alexander Harper
 Augustus P. Hascall
 Solomon G. Haven
 Bernhart Henn
 Jerediah Horsford
 John W. Howe
 Thomas M. Howe
 James Johnson
 Robert W. Johnson
 George G. King
 J. Aristide Landry
 Edward P. Little
 Daniel Mace
 Frederick S. Martin
 Moses McDonald
 James Meacham
 John G. Miller
 Ahiman L. Miner
 Henry D. Moore
 John Moore
 James T. Morehead
 John A. Morrison
 Benjamin D. Nabers
 Eben Newton
 David Outlaw
 Andrew Parker

Mr. Alexander G. Penn
 Ebenezer J. Penniman
 Jared Perkins
 Gilchrist Porter
 William Preston
 Rodman M. Price
 George Read Riddle
 Lorenzo Sabine
 William A. Sackett
 John L. Schoolcraft
 Marius Schoonmaker
 Ephraim K. Smart
 William W. Snow
 Edward Stanly
 Frederick P. Stanton
 Abr'm P. Stephens
 Alexander H. Stephens
 Thaddeus Stevens
 Louis St. Martin
 Benjamin B. Thurston
 Robert Toombs
 Amos Tuck
 Abraham W. Venable
 William T. Ward
 Israel Washburn, jr.
 Albert G. Watkins
 John Welch
 John A. Wilcox
 Christopher H. Williams
 Richard Yates.

So the House refused to lay upon the table the motion to reconsider.
 The question again recurred on the motion of Mr. Doty;
 And being put,

And it was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas 89
 { Nays 79

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
Charles Allen
Willis Allen
William Appleton
Nelson Barrere
Hiram Bell
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibighaus
Richard I. Bowie
Obadiah Bowne
Samuel Brenton
George Briggs
James Brooks
Albert G. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
Joseph P. Caldwell
Lewis D. Campbell
Joseph R. Chandler
Charles Chapman
Thomas L. Clingman
James L. Conger
Joseph S. Cottman
William Cullom
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
David T. Disney
Alfred Dockery
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Charles Durkee

Mr. Ben. C. Eastman
Alfred P. Edgerton
Alexander Evans
Francis B. Fay
John D. Freeman
Henry M. Fuller
Meredith P. Gentry
Robert Goodenow
Ben. Edwards Grey
Alexander Harper
Augustus P. Hascall
Solomon G. Haven
Bernhart Henn
Jerediah Horsford
John W. Howe
Thomas M. Howe
James Johnson
George G. King
Edward P. Little
Daniel Mace
Frederick S. Martin
James Meacham
John G. Miller
Ahiman L. Miner
Henry D. Moore
John Moore
James T. Morehead
Benjamin D. Nabers
Eben Newton
David Outlaw

Mr. Andrew Parker
Alexander G. Penn
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Jared Perkins
Gilchrist Porter
William Preston
George Read Riddle
William A. Sackett
Marius Schoonmaker
Richardson Scurry
Ephraim K. Smart
William W. Snow
Edward Stanly
Frederick P. Stanton
Richard H. Stanton
Abr'm P. Stephens
Alexander H. Stephens
Thaddeus Stevens
Louis St. Martin
Benjamin B. Thurston
Robert Toombs
Amos Tuck
Abraham W. Venable
William T. Ward
Israel Washburn, jr.
Albert G. Watkins
John A. Wilcox
Christopher H. Williams
Richard Yates.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. John Allison
John Appleton
William S. Ashe
Thomas H. Averett
David J. Bailey
James M. H. Beale
Thomas S. Boccock
John Bragg
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
Thompson Campbell
David K. Cartter
John S. Caskie
Elijah W. Chastain
William M. Churchwell
Sherrard Clemens
Williamson R. W. Cobb
William F. Colcock
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick
Henry A. Edmundson
Thomas B. Florence
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James Gamble
James M. Gaylord
Joshua R. Giddings

Mr. Alfred Gilmore
Willis A. Gorman
Galusha A. Grow
Willard P. Hall
William T. Hamilton
Isham G. Harris
Thomas A. Hendricks
Harry Hibbard
Alexander R. Holladay
George S. Houston
Volney E. Howard
Willard Ives
Joseph W. Jackson
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
John Johnson
George W. Jones
J. Glaucy Jones
John Letcher
James Lockhart
John C. Mason
James X. McLanahan
Fayette McMullen
John McNair
John McQueen
Richard K. Meade

Mr. John S. Millson
Richard S. Molony
Charles Murphy
William Murray
Edson B. Olds
James L. Orr
Samuel W. Parker
Charles H. Peaslee
John S. Phelps
William H. Polk
Paulus Powell
Reuben Robie
John L. Robinson
Thomas Ross
Joseph Russell
John H. Savage
David L. Seymour
Charles Skelton
William R. Smith
Nathan T. Stratton
Josiah Sutherland
Charles Sweetser
Daniel Wallace
John Welch
Isaac Wildrick
Joseph A. Woodward.

So the motion to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to lay upon the table the bill of the Senate No. 13, was agreed to.

The Speaker then stated the question to be again upon the said motion to lay upon the table;

Pending which,

Mr. Benjamin Stanton moved that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union;

Pending which,

Mr. Florence moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House;

Pending which,

Mr. Dean moved, at 2 o'clock and 20 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn.

And the question being put on the latter motion,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas 61
Nays 103

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
John Allison
John Appleton
William S. Ashe
Thomas H. Averett
James M. H. Beale
John Bragg
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
Thompson Campbell
David K. Cartter
Elijah W. Chastain
William Cullom
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick
Henry A. Edmundson
Thomas B. Florence
John G. Floyd
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James Gamble

Mr. James M. Gaylord
Joshua R. Giddings
Willis A. Gorman
Galusha A. Grow
Willard P. Hall
William T. Hamilton
Isham G. Harris
Sampson W. Harris
Harry Hibbard
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
John Johnson
George W. Jones
J. Glancy Jones
John Letcher
John C. Mason
James X. McLanahan
John McNair
John McQueen
John S. Millson

Mr. Richard S. Molony
John A. Morrison
William Murray
Edson B. Olds
Samuel W. Parker
Charles H. Peaslee
William A. Richardson
Reuben Robie
John L. Robinson
Thomas Ross
John H. Savage
David L. Seymour
Charles Skelton
Alexander H. Stephens
Louis St. Martin
Nathan T. Stratton
Josiah Sutherland
Charles Sweetser
Daniel Wallace
Isaac Wildrick.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Willis Allen
William Appleton
Leander Babcock
David J. Bailey
Nelson Barrere
Thomas Bartlett, jr.
Hiram Bell
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibighaus
Richard I. Bowie
Obadiah Bowne
Samuel Brenton
George Briggs
James Brooks
Albert G. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
Joseph P. Caldwell
Lewis D. Campbell
Joseph R. Chandler
Charles Chapman
William M. Churchill
Sherrard Clemens

Mr. Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
James L. Conger
Joseph S. Cottman
Carlton B. Curtis
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
John G. Davis
David T. Disney
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Charles Durkee
Ben. C. Eastman
Alexander Evans
Charles J. Faulkner
Francis B. Fay
John D. Freeman
Henry M. Fuller
Meredith P. Gentry
Alfred Gilmore
Robert Goodenow
Ben. Edwards Grey

Mr. Alexander Harper
Augustus P. Haecall
Solomon G. Haven
Thomas A. Hendricks
Bernhart Henn
Jerediah Horsford
George S. Houston
John W. Howe
Thomas M. Howe
Colin M. Ingersoll
Willard Ives
Joseph W. Jackson
James Johnson
Robert W. Johnson
George G. King
Edward P. Little
Daniel Mace
Edward C. Marshall
Frederick S. Martin
James Meacham
John G. Miller
Abimian L. Miner

Mr. Henry D. Moore
John Moore
James T. Morehead
Benjamin D. Nabers
David Outlaw
Andrew Parker
Alexander G. Penn
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Jared Perkins
Gilchrist Porter
William Preston
Rodman M. Price
George Read Riddle

Mr. Lorenzo Sabine
William A. Sackett
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
Marius Schoonmaker
Richardson Scurry
Origen S. Seymour
Ephraim K. Smart
William R. Smith
William W. Snow
Edward Stanley
Frederick P. Stanton
Abr'm P. Stephens

Mr. Thaddeus Stevens
Benjamin B. Thurston
Robert Toombs
Amos Tuck
Abraham W. Venable
William T. Ward
Israel Washburn, jr.
Albert G. Watkins
John Welch
John A. Wilcox
Christopher H. Williams
Joseph A. Woodward.

So the House refused to adjourn.

The question then recurring on the motion of Mr. Benjamin Stanton, Mr. Stanton withdrew the same.

The question then recurred on the motion of Mr. Florence ;

Pending which,

Mr. McMullen moved, at 2 o'clock and 55 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn.

And the question being put on the latter motion,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 77
Nays 85

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
Willis Allen
John Allison
John Appleton
William S. Ashe
Thomas H. Averett
David J. Bailey
James M. H. Beale
John Bragg
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
Thompson Campbell
David K. Cartter
John S. Caskie
Elijah W. Chastain
Sherrard Clemens
Thomas L. Clingman
William Cullom
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick
David T. Disney
Thomas B. Florence
John G. Floyd
Thomas J. D. Fuller

Mr. James Gamble
James M. Gaylord
Joshua R. Giddings
Alfred Gilmore
Willis A. Gorman
Galusha A. Grow
Willard P. Hall
William T. Hamilton
Isam G. Harris
Sampson W. Harris
Thomas A. Hendricks
Harry Hibbard
Alexander R. Holladay
Colin M. Ingersoll
Joseph W. Jackson
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
John Johnson
George W. Jones
J. Glancy Jones
John Letcher
James Lockhart
John C. Mason
James X. McLanahan
Fayette McMullen
John McNair

Mr. John McQueen
Richard K. Meade
John S. Millson
Richard S. Molony
John A. Morrison
Charles Murphy
William Murray
James L. Orr
Samuel W. Parker
Charles H. Peaselee
John S. Phelps
Paulus Powell
Reuben Robie
Thomas Ross
Joseph Russell
John H. Savage
Charles Skelton
William R. Smith
Abr'm P. Stephens
Louis St. Martin
Nathan T. Stratton
Josiah Sutherland
Daniel Wallace
Isaac Wildrick
Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
William Appleton
Nelson Barrere
Hiram Bell
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibighaus
Richard I. Bowie
Obadiah Bowne

Mr. Samuel Brenton
George Briggs
James Brooks
Albert G. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
Joseph P. Caldwell
Lewis D. Campbell
Joseph R. Chandler

Mr. Charles Chapman
William M. Churchwell
Williamson R. W. Cobb
James L. Conger
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
Alfred Dockery
James Duane Doty

Mr. James H. Duncan
Charles Durkee
Ben. C. Eastman
Alfred P. Edgerton
Alexander Evans
Charles J. Faulkner
Francis B. Fay
Orlando B. Ficklin
John D. Freeman
Henry M. Fuller
Robert Goodenow
Ben. Edwards Grey
Alexander Harper
Augustus P. Hascall
Solomon G. Haven
Bernhart Henn
Jerediah Horsford
George S. Houston
John W. Howe
Thomas M. Howe
Willard Ives

Mr. Robert W. Johnson
George G. King
Edward P. Little
Daniel Mace
Edward C. Marshall
Frederick S. Martin
James Meacham
John G. Miller
Ahiman L. Miner
John Moore
James T. Morehead
Benjamin D. Nabers
David Outlaw
Andrew Parker
Alexander G. Penn
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Jared Perkins
Gilchrist Porter
William Preston
Rodman M. Price

Mr. George Read Riddle
Lorenzo Sabine
William A. Sackett
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
John L. Schoolcraft
Marius Schoonmaker
Richardson Scurrey
Origen S. Seymour
William W. Snow
Edward Stanly
Benjamin B. Thurston
Robert Toombs
Amos Tuck
Abraham W. Venable
William T. Ward
Israel Washburn, jr.
Albert G. Watkins
John Welch
John A. Wilcox
Richard Yates.

So the House again refused to adjourn.

The question again recurring on the motion of Mr. Florence,

Mr. Gorman moved a call of the House ;

Pending which,

Mr. Letcher moved, at 3 o'clock and 15 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn ;

Pending which,

Mr. Marshall moved that when the House adjourn, it adjourn until Monday next ; which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurred on the motion of Mr. Letcher.

And being put,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas.....	79
{ Nays.....	80

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
Willis Allen
John Allison
John Appleton
William S. Ashe
Thomas H. Averett
James M. H. Beale
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
Thompson Campbell
David K. Cartter
John S. Caskie
Elijah W. Chastain
Sherrard Clemens
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
William F. Colcock
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick
David T. Disney
Alfred Dockery
Charles J. Faulkner
Orlando B. Ficklin
Thomas B. Florence
John G. Floyd

Mr. Thomas J. D. Fuller
James Gamble
James M. Gaylord
Joshua R. Giddings
Alfred Gilmore
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Galusha A. Grow
Willard P. Hall
William T. Hamilton
Isham G. Harris
Sampson W. Harris
Thomas A. Hendricks
Harry Hibbard
Alexander R. Holladay
Volney E. Howard
Colin M. Ingersoll
Willard Ives
Joseph W. Jackson
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
John Johnson
George W. Jones
J. Glancy Jones
John Letcher
James Lookhart

Mr. John C. Mason
James X. McLanahan
Fayette McMullen
John McNair
John McQueen
John S. Millson
Richard S. Molony
John A. Morrison
Charles Murphy
William Murray
James L. Orr
Charles H. Peaslee
John S. Phelps
William H. Polk
Paulus Powell
Reuben Robie
John H. Savage
David L. Seymour
Charles Skelton
William R. Smith
Louis St. Martin
Nathan T. Stratton
Josiah Sutherland
Daniel Wallace
Isaac Wildrick
Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Charles Allen	Mr. Francis B. Fay	Mr. Alexander G. Penn
William Appleton	John D. Freeman	Ebenezer J. Penniman
Leander Babcock	Henry M. Fuller	Jared Perkins
Nelson Barrere	Robert Goodenow	Gilchrist Porter
Hiram Bell	Ben. Edwards Grey	William Preston
Henry Bennett	Alexander Harper	Rodman M. Price
Thomas M. Bibighaus	Solomon G. Haven	Lorenzo Sabine
Richard I. Bowie	Bernhart Henn	William A. Sackett
Obadiah Bowne	Jerediah Horsford	Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
Samuel Brenton	George S. Houston	John L. Schoolcraft
George Briggs	John W. Howe	Marius Schoonmaker
James Brooks	Thomas M. Howe	Richardson Scurry
Albert G. Brown	James Johnson	Origen S. Seymour
Lorenzo Burrows	Robert W. Johnson	Ephraim K. Smart
Joseph P. Caldwell	George G. King	William W. Snow
Lewis D. Campbell	Edward P. Little	Edward Stanly
Joseph R. Chandler	Daniel Mace	Benjamin B. Thurston
Charles Chapman	Edward C. Marshall	Amos Tuck
William M. Churchwell	James Meacham	Abraham W. Venable
James L. Conger	John G. Miller	William T. Ward
John F. Darby	Ahiman L. Miner	Israel Washburn, jr.
George T. Davis	John Moore	Albert G. Watkins
James Duane Doty	James T. Morehead	John Welch
James H. Duncan	Benjamin D. Nabers	John A. Wilcox
Charles Durkee	Eben Newton	Christopher H. Williams
Alfred P. Edgerton	David Outlaw	Richard Yates.
Alexander Evans	Andrew Parker	

So the House again refused to adjourn.

The question again recurring on the motion of Mr. Gorman* for a call of the House, the yeas and nays were demanded thereon and refused.

When

Mr. Gorman moved, at 3 o'clock and 45 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn.

And the question being put on the latter motion,

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas	78
{ Nays	71

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie	Mr. Gilbert Dean	Mr. Joseph W. Jackson
Willis Allen	Milo M. Dimmick	Timothy Jenkins
John Allison	Charles J. Faulkner	Andrew Johnson
John Appleton	Orlando B. Ficklin	ohn Johnson
William S. Ashe	Thomas B. Florence	George W. Jones
Thomas H. Averett	John G. Floyd	J. Glancy Jones
Samuel Brenton	Thomas J. D. Fuller	John Lecher
George H. Busby	James Gamble	James Lockhart
Joseph Cable	James M. Gaylord	John C. Mason
Joseph P. Caldwell	Joshua E. Giddings	James X. McLanahan
Thompson Campbell	Willis A. Gorman	Fayette McMullen
David K. Cartter	Galusha A. Grow	John McNair
John S. Caskie	Willard P. Hall	John McQueen
Elijah W. Chastain	William T. Hamilton	Richard K. Meade
William M. Churchwell	Isham G. Harris	John S. Millson
Sherrard Clemens	Sampson W. Harris	Richard S. Molony
Williamson R. W. Cobb	Thomas A. Hendricks	John A. Morrison
William F. Colcock	Harry Hibbard	Charles Murphy
John R. J. Daniel	Alexander R. Holladay	William Murray
John G. Davis	George S. Houston	James L. Orr
Jehn L. Dawson	Colin M. Ingersoll	Charles H. Passlee

Mr. John S. Phelps
Paulus Powell
Reuben Robie
John L. Robinson
John H. Savage

Mr. David L. Seymour
Charles Skelton
William R. Smith
Louis St. Martin
Nathan T. Stratton

Mr. Josiah Sutherland
Daniel Wallace
Albert G. Watkins
Isaac Wildrick
Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
William Appleton
Nelson Barrere
Hiram Bell
Henry Bennett
Richard I. Bowie
Obadiah Bowne
George Briggs
James Brooks
Albert G. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
Joseph R. Chandler
Charles Chapman
James L. Conger
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
Alfred Dockery
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Charles Durkee
Ben. C. Eastman
Alfred P. Edgerton
Alexander Evans
Francis B. Fay

Mr. John D. Freeman
Henry M. Fuller
Robert Goodenow
Ben. Edwards Grey
Alexander Harper
Solomon G. Haven
Bernhart Henn
Jerediah Horsford
John W. Howe
Thomas M. Howe
Robert W. Johnson
George G. King
J. Aristide Landry
Edward P. Little
Daniel Mace
Edward C. Marshall
John G. Miller
Ahiman L. Miner
John Moore
James T. Morehead
Benjamin D. Nabers
Eben Newton
David Outlaw
Andrew Parker

Mr. Alexander G. Penn
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Jared Perkins
Gilchrist Porter
William Preston
Rodman M. Price
Joseph Russell
Lorenzo Sabine
William A. Sackett
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
Marius Schoonmaker
Richardson Scurry
Ephraim K. Smart
William W. Snow
Edward Stanly
Benjamin B. Thurston
Amos Tuck
Abraham W. Venable
Israel Washburn, jr.
John Welch
John A. Wilcox
Christopher H. Williams
Richard Yates.

So the motion was agreed to,

And the House accordingly adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1853.

The following petitions and other papers were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Edgerton: The petition of citizens of the State of Ohio, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Lavona, in Fulton county, to Pulaski and Bryan, in Williams county, in said State.

By Mr. John Moore: The petition of citizens of the State of Louisiana, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from the mouth of Red river, in the State of Louisiana, to Huntsville, in the State of Texas.

By Mr. Benjamin Stanton: The petition of citizens of Hardin county, in the State of Ohio, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Marysville, in Union county, to Findley, in Hancock county, in said State.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Washburn, jr.: Additional evidence in the claim of John Pierce and others, heirs and legal representatives of Luther Pierce, deceased; which was referred to the Committee of Claims.

By Mr. Eastman: The petition of J. S. Ellsworth, praying that the Japan expedition be immediately recalled; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. Edgerton: The petition of citizens of the State of Ohio, praying that lights be placed in the Maumee bay; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. St. Martin: The petition of Edward G. Fitch, offering to convey to the government of the United States his patent right for an apparatus for the use of the navy, for preserving human life; which was referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

By Mr. Morrison: The petition of Jonathan Jackson, on the subject of agricultural improvement; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. D. Fuller, by unanimous consent, the bill of the Senate (No. 584) entitled "An act authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue a register to the British barque Fanny, under the name of Golden Mirror," was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the said bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Nabers, by unanimous consent, the bill of the Senate (No. 360) entitled "An act for the relief of the widow of the late John A. Lynch," was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

By unanimous consent, the House proceeded to the further consideration of the said bill; when

It was ordered to be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Stuart, by unanimous consent, introduced a bill (No. 355) "to change the name of the steamboat Forest City;" which was read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read a third time.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

On motion of Mr. Mace, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That leave be granted for the withdrawal, from the files of the House, of the petition of Ann A. Allen.

The said paper was thereupon handed to Mr. Mace.

The regular order of business being called for, the House proceeded to the consideration of the joint resolution of the House (No. 31) "providing for the printing and binding of the returns of the Seventh Census"—heretofore reported from the Joint Committee on Printing, and the further consideration of which was postponed until this day; the pending question being on the motion of Mr. Gorman to recommit the same.

Mr. Gorman withdrew his said motion to recommit.

The question then recurred on the engrossment and third reading of the joint resolution.

After debate, and pending the question thereon,

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed bills of the House of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 232. An act for the relief of C. L. Swayze, in relation to the location of certain Choctaw scrip;

H. R. 233. An act granting the right of way, and making a grant of land to the States of Arkansas and Missouri, to aid in the construction of a railroad from a point on the Mississippi opposite the mouth of the Ohio river, via Little Rock, to the Texas boundary, near Fulton, in Arkansas, with branches to Fort Smith and the Mississippi river; and

H. R. 224. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to create the office of surveyor general of the public lands in Oregon, and to provide for the survey, and to make donations to the settlers of the said public lands," approved September 27, 1850; the two former without amendment, and the latter with amendments; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The Senate have agreed to the amendment of this House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 347) entitled "An act granting the right of way to the St. Louis and Iron Mountain Railroad Company."

The Senate have passed bills of the following titles, viz:

S. 541. An act to extend the warehousing system by establishing private bonded warehouses, and for other purposes;

S. 574. An act to organize the navy of the United States;

S. 603. An act authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue a register to the American-built steamship Albatross;

S. 608. An act granting to the Niagara Falls and Lake Ontario Railroad Company the right of way through or along the river-side of the military reservation at Fort Niagara, in the State of New York; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The President of the United States has notified the Senate that he did, on the 3d instant, approve and sign bills and a joint resolution of the following titles, viz:

S. 70. An act for the relief of the widows and relatives of certain officers and seamen of the United States brig Washington, who were lost overboard in a hurricane;

S. 98. An act for the relief of Sarah D. Mackay;

S. 152. An act for the relief of Mary B. Renner, administratrix of Daniel Renner, deceased;

S. 176. An act for the relief of William Bedient, late a sergeant in the fourth regiment of artillery;

S. 194. An act for the relief of Jacob Young;

S. 195. An act for the relief of Margaret Farrar;

S. 204. An act for the relief of Guion and McLaughlin;

S. 234. An act for the relief of James Glynn;

S. 238. An act for the relief of Thompson Hutchinson;

S. 239. An act for the relief of Elizabeth Jones and the other children (if any) of John Carr;

S. 244. An act for the relief of the heirs of the late Major Thomas Noel, United States army;

S. 276. An act for the relief of Colonel James R. Creecy;

S. 407. An act for the relief of Jim Capers;

S. 477. An act to continue half-pay to certain widows and orphans;

S. 582. An act concerning bail in civil causes in the District of Columbia; and

S. 16. A resolution for the relief of Alexander Y. P. Garnett.

And then he withdrew.

The House resumed the consideration of the joint resolution H. R. 31; when

Mr. Albert G. Brown moved to amend the same by striking out all after the word "Provided," in the 14th line, to the end of section 2, and inserting, in lieu thereof, the following, viz:

"That the work shall be done in the style of a specimen volume supplied to the Committee on Public Printing, and to be embraced in two volumes of one thousand pages each. The cost of printing shall not exceed the prices now paid the public printer, Robert Armstrong, for like printing. The paper shall be purchased as paper for the public printing is now purchased; and that the binding shall be done in the style of the Congressional Globe and Appendix for 1852, and at a cost not to exceed fifty cents per volume."

After debate,

Mr. Stanly moved to amend that portion of the resolution proposed to be stricken out by the amendment of Mr. Albert G. Brown, by striking out all after the word "of," and inserting, in lieu thereof, the following, viz:

"Composition, press-work, and paper shall not exceed more than five per cent. the prices mentioned in the proposition of Parish, Dunning, Mears, & Co. submitted to the Committee on Printing; and in the event the public printer shall not be willing to execute said work for said prices and five per cent. added, then the said Parish, Dunning, Mears, & Co., shall be authorized to execute the same upon the terms of their bid, upon giving bond with good security for the prompt and faithful completion of said work, and its delivery, without cost to the government, to the Superintendent of Public Printing in this city."

After further debate,

Mr. Orr moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Will the House agree to the amendment of Mr. Stanly?

And it was decided in the negative.

The question was then put, Will the House agree to the said amendment of Mr. Albert G. Brown?

And it was decided in the negative.

Under the further operation of the previous question, the said joint resolution was ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

And being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time.

The question then being on its passage,

Mr. Orr moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Shall the said joint resolution pass?

And it was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas 117
Nays 34

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
Willis Allen
John Appleton

Mr. Thomas Bartlett, jr.
James M. H. Beale
John Bragg

Mr. Samuel Brenton
George Briggs
George H. Busby

Mr. Joseph Cable
 Joseph P. Caldwell
 Thompson Campbell
 David K. Cartter
 Elijah W. Chastain
 William M. Churchwell
 Lincoln Clark
 Sherrard Clemens
 Williamson R. W. Cobb
 John F. Darby
 George T. Davis
 John G. Davis
 John L. Dawson
 Gilbert Dean
 Milo M. Dimmick
 James Duane Doty
 James H. Duncan
 Ben. C. Eastman
 Alfred P. Edgerton
 Charles J. Faulkner
 Orlando B. Ficklin
 Thomas B. Florence
 John D. Freeman
 Henry M. Fuller
 Thomas J. D. Fuller
 James Gamble
 James M. Gaylord
 Joshua R. Giddings
 Alfred Gilmore
 Robert Goodenow
 Willis A. Gorman
 Galusha A. Grow
 Willard P. Hall
 Isham G. Harris
 Sampson W. Harris
 Solomon G. Haven

Mr. Thomas A. Hendricks
 Harry Hibbard
 Alexander R. Holladay
 Jerediah Horsford
 George S. Houston
 Volney E. Howard
 John W. Howe
 Thomas M. Howe
 Colin M. Ingersoll
 Willard Ives
 Joseph W. Jackson
 Timothy Jenkins
 John Johnson
 Robert W. Johnson
 George W. Jones
 J. Glancy Jones
 John Letcher
 Daniel Mace
 Horace Mann
 Joseph W. McCorkle
 Moses McDonald
 James X. McLanahan
 Fayette McMullen
 James Meacham
 Richard K. Meade
 John G. Miller
 John S. Millson
 Richard S. Molony
 Henry D. Moore
 John Moore
 James T. Morehead
 John A. Morrison
 Charles Murphy
 William Murray
 Benjamin D. Nabers
 James L. Orr

Mr. Samuel W. Parker
 Charles H. Peaselee
 Alexander G. Penn
 Jared Perkins
 John S. Phelps
 William H. Polk
 Gilchrist Porter
 Paulus Powell
 William Preston
 Rodman M. Price
 George Read Riddle
 John L. Robinson
 Thomas Ross
 Joseph Russell
 Lorenzo Sabine
 Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
 Marius Schoonmaker
 Richardson Scurry
 Origen S. Seymour
 Charles Skelton
 Ephraim K. Smart
 William R. Smith
 William W. Snow
 Richard H. Stanton
 Abr'm P. Stephens
 Alexander H. Stephens
 Louis St. Martin
 Nathan T. Stratton
 Charles E. Stuart
 Josiah Sutherland
 Charles Sweetser
 Benjamin B. Thurston
 Abraham W. Venable
 Albert G. Watkins
 John A. Wilcox
 Isaac Wildrick.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
 John Allison
 Thomas H. Averett
 David J. Bailey
 Hiram Bell
 Henry Bennett
 Obadiah Bowne
 James Brooks
 Albert G. Brown
 Thomas L. Clingman
 William F. Colcock
 James L. Conger

Mr. Alfred Dockery
 Alexander Evans
 Presley Ewing
 John G. Floyd
 Alexander Harper
 J. Aristide Landry
 John C. Mason
 John McQueen
 Eben Newton
 David Outlaw
 Ebenezer J. Penniman

Mr. William A. Sackett
 John L. Schoolcraft
 Edward Stanly
 Benjamin Stanton
 John L. Taylor
 Robert Toombs
 Daniel Wallace
 Israel Washburn, jr.
 John Welch
 Joseph A. Woodward
 Richard Yates.

So the joint resolution was passed.

Mr. Gorman moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the said joint resolution.

And then,

On motion of Mr. Letcher,

At 3 o'clock and 15 minutes p. m. the House adjourned until Monday next at 12 o'clock m.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1853.

The following petitions were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Howard: The petition of citizens of the State of Texas, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Brenham to Caldwell, in said State.

By Mr. Eastman: The petition of citizens of Grant county, in the State of Wisconsin, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Mineral Point to Cassville, in said State.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Green: The petition of citizens of Crawford county, in the State of Ohio, praying that the time for the payment of the duties on the iron of the Ohio and Indiana railroad be extended five years.

By Mr. Origen S. Seymour: The petition of citizens of the State of Connecticut, praying for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a railroad from Detroit, in the State of Michigan, to Lake Superior.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Florence: The petition of the employees at the National Observatory, in Washington city, praying for the increase of twenty per cent. upon their salaries, the same as now allowed the clerks in the departments; which was referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

By Mr. Brooks: The petition of citizens of the State of New York, praying that measures be taken to secure to American citizens the right of conscience in religious matters in all nations of the world; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. John W. Howe: The petition of Richard Shippen, of the State of Pennsylvania, praying for compensation for services rendered during the late war with Great Britain; which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Duncan: The petition of citizens of Newburyport, in the State of Massachusetts, praying for the abolition of the tax known as hospital money; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

On motion of Mr. Clark, the rules having been suspended for that purpose, the bill of the Senate (No. 316) entitled "An act for the relief of the town of Bellevue, in Iowa," was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the said bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read a third time, and passed.

On motion of Mr. Clark, by unanimous consent, the said bill was amended by striking out "city" where it occurs in the bill, and inserting "town" in lieu thereof.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the said amendments.

Mr. Toombs moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to submit the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the Committee on Commerce be instructed to inquire into the expediency of repealing the navigation laws of the United States to the extent of throwing open the coasting trade to the free competition of all nations, and that said committee report by bill or otherwise.

And the question being put,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 93
Nays..... 73

Two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. Willis Allen
William S. Ashe
Thomas H. Averett
David J. Bailey
James M. H. Beale
Thomas S. Boccock
John Bragg
John C. Breckinridge
Albert G. Brown
George H. Busby
E. Carrington Cabell
Joseph Cable
Joseph P. Caldwell
Lewis D. Campbell
Thompson Campbell
David K. Cartter
John S. Caskie
Elijah W. Chastain
William M. Churchwell
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
William F. Colcock
John R. J. Daniel
John G. Davis
David T. Disney
James Duane Doty
Ben. C. Eastman
Henry A. Edmundson
Orlando B. Ficklin
John G. Floyd
John D. Freeman

Mr. James M. Gaylord
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Galusha A. Grow
Willard P. Hall
William T. Hamilton
Isam G. Harris
Sampson W. Harris
Thomas A. Hendricks
Bernhart Henn
Harry Hibbard
Junius Hillyer
Alexander R. Holladay
George S. Houston
Thomas Y. How, jr.
Willard Ives
Joseph W. Jackson
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
John Johnson
Robert W. Johnson
George W. Jones
John Letcher
Daniel Mace
John C. Mason
John McQueen
Richard K. Meade
John S. Millson
Charles Murphy
William Murray
Benjamin D. Nabers

Mr. James L. Orr
David Outlaw
Samuel W. Parker
Charles H. Peaslee
Alexander G. Penn
John S. Phelps
Paulus Powell
Reuben Robie
John L. Robinson
Thomas Ross
Richardson Scurry
William W. Snow
Benjamin Stanton
Frederick P. Stanton
Richard H. Stanton
Abr'm P. Stephens
Alexander H. Stephens
James W. Stone
Louis St. Martin
Charles E. Stuart
Robert Toombs
Norton S. Townshend
Abraham W. Venable
Daniel Wallace
Albert G. Watkins
John Welch
Addison White
John A. Wilcox
Isaac Wildrick
Christopher H. Williams
Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
John Allison
William Appleton
Thomas Bartlett, jr.
Hiram Bell
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibbhaug
Obadiah Bowne
George Briggs
James Brooks
Lorenz Burrows
Joseph R. Chandler
Joseph S. Cottman
William Cullom
Carlton B. Curtis
John F. Darby
John L. Dawson
Milo M. Dimmick
Alfred Dockery
James H. Duncan
Francis B. Fay
Thomas B. Florence
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James Gamble
Meredith P. Gentry

Mr. Joshua R. Giddings
Alfred Gilmore
Robert Goodenow
Ben. Edwards Grey
Alexander Harper
Augustus P. Hascall
Solomon G. Haven
Jerediah Horsford
John W. Howe
Thomas M. Howe
Colin M. Ingersoll
J. Glancy Jones
George G. King
Preston King
William H. Kurtz
J. Aristide Landry
Frederick S. Martin
Moses McDonald
James X. McLanahan
Fayette McMullen
John McNair
James Meacham
John G. Miller
Ahimam L. Miner

Mr. Henry D. Moore
John Moore
John A. Morrison
Eben Newton
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Jared Perkins
William Preston
Rodman M. Price
George Read Riddle
John Robbins, jr.
Lorenzo Sabine
William A. Sackett
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
Origen S. Seymour
Charles Skelton
Ephraim K. Smart
William B. Smith
Edward Stanly
Nathan T. Stratton
Charles Sweetser
John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston
Amos Tuck
Israel Washburn, jr.

So the House refused to suspend the rules.

On motion of Mr. Stuart, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That, in addition to Tuesday and Wednesday next, (as heretofore ordered,) Thursday next be set apart for the consideration of territorial business.

Mr. Curtis (this being resolution day, and resolutions being in order from the State of Pennsylvania) submitted a resolution, which he subsequently modified to read as follows, viz:

Resolved, That from and after to-day this House will hold night sessions, commencing at 7 o'clock p. m., to be devoted to calling committees for reports until all the committees have been once called: *Provided*, That no bill or resolution reported under this order shall be put upon its passage unless by the unanimous consent of the House, a quorum being present: *Provided, further*, That any bill or resolution reported and proposed to be put upon its passage, if objected to, may be withdrawn by the member reporting it.

Pending the question on agreeing thereto,

Mr. Orr moved that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurred on agreeing to the said resolution;

Pending which,

Mr. Letcher moved that it be laid on the table; which motion was disagreed to.

The question again recurring on the said resolution,

Mr. Curtis moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Will the House agree to the said resolution?

And it was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 119
Nays 55

Two-thirds voting in favor thereof.

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,

• Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
Willis Allen
John Allison
William Appleton
William S. Ashe
Thomas Bartlett, jr.
James M. H. Beale
Hiram Bell
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibbhaux
Obadiah Bowne
George Briggs
Joseph P. Caldwell
Lewis D. Campbell
John S. Caskie
William M. Churchwell
Lincoln Clark
Sherrard Clemens
Williamson R. W. Cobb
Joseph S. Cottman
William Cullom
Carlton B. Curtis
John R. J. Daniel
John F. Darby

Mr. George T. Davis
John G. Davis
Milo M. Dimmick
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Henry A. Edmundson
Charles J. Faulkner
Francis B. Fay
Orlando B. Ficklin
Graham N. Fitch
Thomas B. Florence
John D. Freeman
James Gamble
James M. Gaylord
Meredith P. Gentry
Joshua R. Giddings
Alfred Gilmore
Robert Goodenow
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Galusha A. Grow
Willard P. Hall
William T. Hamilton
Isaac G. Harris

Mr. Augustus P. Hascall
Solomon G. Haven
Thomas A. Hendricks
Bernhart Henn
Harry Hibbard
Junius Hillyer
Alexander R. Holladay
Jeremiah Horsford
George S. Houston
Volney E. Howard
John W. Howe
Thomas M. Howe
Thomas Y. How, jr.
Colin M. Ingersoll
Willard Ives
Joseph W. Jackson
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
J. Glancy Jones
George G. King
William H. Kurtz
James Lockhart
Daniel Mace
Horace Mann

Mr. John C. Mason
Joseph W. McCorkle
James K. McLanahan
Fayette McMullen
John McNair
John G. Miller
John S. Millson
Richard S. Molony
Henry D. Moore
John A. Morrison
William Murray
Benjamin D. Nabers
Eben Newton
David Outlaw
Samuel W. Parker
Charles H. Peaslee

Mr. Alexander G. Penn
Jared Perkins
John S. Phelps
William H. Polk
Gilchrist Porter
William Preston
Rodman M. Price
George Read Riddle
John Robbins, jr.
Reuben Robie
John L. Robinson
John L. Schoolcraft
Origen S. Seymour
Charles Skelton
Ephraim K. Smart
William E. Smith

Mr. William W. Snow
Edward Stanly
Benjamin Stanton
Alexander H. Stephens
James W. Stone
Louis St. Martin
Nathan T. Stratton
Charles E. Stuart
Josiah Sutherland
Benjamin B. Thurston
Norton S. Townsend
Amos Tuck
Israel Washburn, jr.
Albert G. Watkins
John Welch
Richard Yates.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
John Appleton
Thomas H. Averett
David J. Bailey
Nelson Barrere
Thomas S. Bocoock
John Bragg
John C. Breckinridge
Samuel Brenton
James Brooks
Lorenzo Burrows
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
Thompson Campbell
David K. Cartter
Elijah W. Chastain
Thomas L. Clingman
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean

Mr. David T. Disney
Alfred Dockery
Ben. C. Eastman
John G. Floyd
Thomas J. D. Fuller
Ben. Edwards Grey
Sampson W. Harris
Robert W. Johnson
George W. Jones
J. Aristide Landry
John Letcher
Frederick S. Martin
Moses McDonald
John McQueen
James Meacham
Ahiman L. Miner
Andrew Parker
Ebenezer J. Penniman

Mr. Thomas Ross
William A. Sackett
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
Richardson Scurry
Frederick P. Stanton
Richard H. Stanton
Abr'm P. Stephens
James F. Strother
Charles Sweetser
John L. Taylor
Robert Toombs
Abraham W. Venable
Daniel Wallace
Addison White
John A. Wilcox
Isaac Wildrick
Christopher H. Williams
Joseph A. Woodward.

So the said resolution was agreed to.

Mr. Isham G. Harris moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a bill of the following title, viz: S. 571. An act granting and reconveying the arsenal in the town of New Castle, in the State of Delaware, to the trustees of said town, and their successors; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. McLanahan, the rules having been suspended for that purpose, the bill of the Senate (No. 97) entitled "An act to make the salary of the judge of the criminal court of the District of Columbia equal to that of an assistant judge of the circuit court of said District," was read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the said bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Mr. McLanahan moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Wildrick, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined bills of the following titles, and found the same truly enrolled, viz:

S. 208. An act for the relief of Barbara Reily;

H. R. 265. An act for the relief of Joseph M. Wilcoxon, of the State of Missouri;

H. R. 232. An act for the relief of C. L. Swayze, in relation to the location of certain Choctaw scrip;

H. R. 233. An act granting the right of way, and making a grant of land, to the States of Arkansas and Missouri, to aid in the construction of a railroad from a point on the Mississippi opposite the mouth of the Ohio river, via Little Rock, to the Texas boundary near Fulton, in Arkansas, with branches to Fort Smith and the Mississippi river.

When

The Speaker signed the said bills.

Mr. McNair submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Printing, viz:

Resolved, That the members of the House Committee on Printing be instructed to inquire into the expediency of having an additional number of the report of the Superintendent of the Census, and abstract, printed for the use of members.

Mr. Chandler moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move that the resolution of the Senate (No. 58) "for the relief of Rebecca J. Burdsall" be taken from the Speaker's table; which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Sibley moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to introduce "A bill granting the right of way, and a portion of the public lands, to the States of Louisiana, Arkansas, Missouri, and Iowa, and to the Territory of Minnesota, to aid in the construction of a railroad from a point opposite the city of New Orleans to the northern boundary of said Territory of Minnesota, with a branch to the Falls of St. Anthony;" which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Allison moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move that the bill of the Senate (No. 421) "for the relief of John Williams" be taken from the Speaker's table; which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Dimmick submitted the following resolution; which was read, considered, and, under the operation of the previous question, agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That there be allowed and paid, out of the contingent fund of this House, to Simeon Smith, clerk of the select committee to investigate the connexion of Hon. Thomas Corwin with the Gardiner claim, the same compensation allowed to a deputy clerk of the House, for the time he was actually employed by the committee.

On motion of Mr. Robbins, the rules having been suspended for the purpose,

Mr. Gorman, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported a bill (No. 356) for the relief of Captain George P. Smith; which was read a first and second time.

The rule requiring its commitment having been suspended,

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read a third time.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Mr. Grow moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to report, from the Committee on the Judiciary, the joint resolution of the Senate (No. 10) "for the relief of Alexander P. Field, late secretary of the Territory of Wisconsin;" which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. John W. Howe submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Printing:

Resolved, That thirty thousand copies of the obituary speeches and proceedings on the death of Daniel Webster, in the Senate and in the House, be printed, under the direction of the Committee on Printing, for the use of the members of this House.

On motion of Mr. Thomas M. Howe, the rules having been suspended for that purpose, the bill of the Senate (No. 510) entitled "An act for the relief of Asenath M. Elliot," was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

The question then being on its third reading,

Mr. Stanly moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Shall the bill be read a third time?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

It was accordingly read the third time.

The question then being on its passage,

Mr. Briggs moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Shall the bill pass?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Briggs moved that the vote by which the said bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Henry M. Fuller moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move that the bill of the Senate (No. 274) entitled "An act for the relief of L. M. Goldsborough and others," be taken from the Speaker's table.

And the question being put,

It was decided in the negative,	{ Yeas.....	97
	{ Nays.....	49

Two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. John Allison
William S. Ashe
Nelson Barrere
Hiram Bell
Henry Bennett
Thomas S. Bocock
Obadiah Bowne
Samuel Brenton
George Briggs
James Brooks

Mr. Albert G. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
E. Carrington Cabell
Joseph P. Caldwell
Lewis D. Campbell
John S. Caskie
Joseph R. Chandler
Charles Chapman
Sherrard Clemens
Thomas L. Clingman

Mr. William F. Colcock
James L. Conger
Joseph S. Cottman
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick
David T. Disney
James Duane Doty
Henry A. Edmundson

Mr. Francis B. Fay
 Thomas B. Florence
 John D. Freeman
 Henry M. Fuller
 James Gamble
 James M. Gaylord
 Meredith P. Gentry
 Willis A. Gorman
 Frederick W. Green
 Ben. Edwards Grey
 Galusha A. Grow
 Alexander Harper
 Sampson W. Harris
 Alexander R. Holladay
 John W. Howe
 Thomas M. Howe
 Thomas Y. How, jr.
 Joseph W. Jackson
 Robert W. Johnson
 George G. King
 J. Aristide Landry
 John Letcher
 Joseph W. McCorkle

Mr. James X. McLanahan
 John McNair
 John McQueen
 Richard K. Meade
 John G. Miller
 Ahiman L. Miner
 Henry D. Moore
 John Moore
 John A. Morrison
 Benjamin D. Nabers
 Eben Newton
 David Outlaw
 Samuel W. Parker
 Charles H. Peaselee
 Alexander G. Penn
 William H. Polk
 Paulus Powell
 William Preston
 Rodman M. Price
 George Read Riddle
 John Robbins, jr.
 John L. Robinson

Mr. William A. Sackett
 Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
 John L. Schoolcraft
 Richardson Scurry
 William R. Smith
 Edward Stanly
 Frederick P. Stanton
 Richard H. Stanton
 Alexander H. Stephens
 James F. Strother
 Charles E. Stuart
 Josiah Sutherland
 Charles Sweetser
 John L. Taylor
 Benjamin B. Thurston
 Robert Toombs
 Abraham W. Venable
 William T. Ward
 Albert G. Watkins
 John Welch
 Christopher H. Williams
 Richard Yates.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. John Appleton
 Leander Babcock
 George H. Busby
 David K. Cartter
 Elijah W. Chastain
 Lincoln Clark
 Williamson R. W. Cobb
 John G. Davis
 John L. Dawson
 Ben. C. Eastman
 John G. Floyd
 Thomas J. D. Fuller
 Robert Goodenow
 Willard P. Hall
 William T. Hamilton
 Isham G. Harris
 Solomon G. Haven

Mr. Thomas A. Hendricks
 Junius Hillyer
 Jerediah Horsford
 George S. Houston
 Colin M. Ingersoll
 Willard Ives
 Timothy Jenkins
 Andrew Johnson
 John Johnson
 George W. Jones
 Preston King
 Frederick S. Martin
 Moses McDonald
 Fayette McMullen
 John S. Millson
 William Murray

Mr. Ebenezer J. Penniman
 Jared Perkins
 John S. Phelps
 Reubin Robie
 Thomas Ross
 Joseph Russell
 Marius Schoonmaker
 Origen S. Seymour
 Charles Skelton
 Benjamin Stanton
 Abr'm P. Stephens
 Nathan T. Stratton
 Norton S. Townshend
 Daniel Wallace
 Isaac Wildrick
 Joseph A. Woodward.

So the House refused to suspend the rules.

On motion of Mr. Henry D. Moore, the rules having been suspended for that purpose, the bill of the Senate (No. 397) entitled "An act for the relief of Rosanna Sowards," was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Pending the question on its third reading,

Mr. Henry D. Moore moved the previous question;

Pending which,

Mr. George W. Jones moved that the bill be laid on the table;

Pending which,

Mr. Gorman moved that the vote by which the said bill was read a second time be reconsidered;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Albert G. Brown,

At 2 o'clock and 50 minutes p. m. the House adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock m.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1853.

The following petitions, memorials, and other papers were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit :

By Mr. Fitch: The petition of citizens of the State of Indiana, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Wabash, in Wabash county, to Tipton, in Tipton county, in said State.

By Mr. Gaylord: Twenty-eight petitions of citizens of the State of Ohio, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Newark to Portsmouth, in said State.

By Mr. Stratton: Ten petitions of citizens of the State of New Jersey, praying Congress to grant an act of incorporation to a company to construct a railroad between Washington city and New York city.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Allison: The petition of Washington Porter, an invalid soldier of the war of 1812, praying for a pension; which was referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. Ives: The petition of citizens of the State of New York, praying for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a ship-canal around the Falls of Niagara.

By Mr. Fitch: The petition of citizens of Elkhart county, in the State of Indiana, praying that the public lands be granted to actual settlers, in limited quantities.

By Mr. Ross: The petition of citizens of Berks county, in the State of Pennsylvania, praying for an extension of the benefit of the bounty-land act of 1850.

By Mr. Green: The petition of citizens of Crawford county, in the State of Ohio, praying that a credit of five years be granted to the Ohio and Indiana Railroad Company on the payment of the duty on their railroad iron.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Giddings: The memorial of the quarterly meeting of Friends of the State of Pennsylvania, praying for the repeal of the fugitive slave law; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Strother: The petition of citizens of the State of Virginia, praying for the reconstruction of bridges across the Potomac river; which was referred to the Committee for the District of Columbia.

By Mr. Yates: The memorial of the industrial convention of the State of Illinois, praying for an appropriation of five hundred thousand dollars in public lands to each State of the Union, for the purpose of endowing an industrial university in said States; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Penn: The petition of Joseph M. Howell and Moses H. Coats—heretofore presented January 18, 1850; which was referred to the Committee of Claims.

By Mr. Burrows: The petition of citizens of the State of New York, remonstrating against the renewal of McCormick's patent for a reaping machine; which was referred to the Committee on Patents.

Mr. Henn, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee did, on the 5th instant, present to the President of the United States bills and a joint resolution of the following titles, viz :

H. R. 28. Joint resolution granting the petition of William and Matthew Moss ;

H. R. 199. An act for the relief of the legal representatives of Bernard Todd, deceased ;

H. R. 351. An act for the relief of Brevet Brigadier General Bennett Riley, and to enable him to settle his accounts with the United States ;

H. R. 160. An act for the relief of the heirs of Jeremiah Wingate ;

H. R. 185. An act for the relief of Maurice K. Simons.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a bill of this House of the following title, viz :

H. R. 161. An act to provide for the payment of the companies of Captains Bush, Price and Suarez for military services in Florida, without amendment.

The Senate have also passed bills of the following titles, viz :

S. 570. An act to create a collection district in the State of Vermont ; and

S. 586. An act to extend pre-emption rights to unsurveyed lands, and for other purposes ;

in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

This day having been set apart for the consideration of territorial business, the bill of the House (No. 224) entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to create the office of surveyor general of the public lands in Oregon, and to provide for the survey, and to make donations to the settlers of the said public land,'" with the amendment of the Senate thereto, was taken up.

The Speaker having stated the question to be on agreeing to the said amendment,

On motion of Mr. Richardson, (objection being made to the further consideration of the said amendment without commitment,)

Ordered, That the said bill, and the amendment of the Senate thereto, be committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

On motion of Mr. Richardson,

The House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union ; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Hibbard reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the bill of the House No. 224, entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to create the office of surveyor general of the public lands in Oregon, and to provide for the survey, and to make donations to the settlers of the said public lands,'" approved September 27, 1850, had directed him to report the same with a recommendation that the amendment of the Senate thereto be concurred in.

The Speaker stated the question to be on agreeing to the said amendment ;

And the question being put, under the operation of the previous question, it was decided in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have passed a bill of the following title, viz :
S. 51. An act giving further remedies to patentees ; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

A message was received from the President of the United States, by Millard P. Fillmore, his private secretary, which was handed in at the Speaker's table. Also, a message notifying the House that he did, on the 5th instant, approve and sign bills and a joint resolution of the following titles, viz :

H. R. 351. An act for the relief of Brevet Brigadier General Bennett Riley, and to enable him to settle his accounts with the United States ;

H. R. 185. An act for the relief of Maurice K. Simons ;

H. R. 199. An act for the relief of the legal representatives of Bernard Todd, deceased ;

H. R. 160. An act for the relief of the heirs of Jeremiah Wingate ;

H. R. 28. Joint resolution granting the petition of William and Matthew Moss.

On motion of Mr. Bayly, by unanimous consent, the following message, just received from the President of the United States, was laid before the House, viz :

To the Senate and House of Representatives :

Having, in my message to Congress at the opening of the session, adverted to the pending negotiations between this government and that of Great Britain relative to the fisheries and commercial reciprocity with the British American provinces, I transmit, for the information of Congress, the accompanying report from the Department of State on the present state of the negotiations, and I respectfully invite the attention of the two houses to the suggestion in the latter part of the report.

MILLARD FILLMORE.

WASHINGTON, February 7, 1853.

The same having been read,

Ordered, That it be referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and printed.

On motion of Mr. Richardson,

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union ; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Hibbard reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the bill of the House No. 348, "to establish the territorial government of Columbia," had come to no resolution thereon.

Mr. Faulkner, from the Committee on Military Affairs, to which was referred the bill of the House (No. 259) entitled "An act to provide for the protection of the Territories of New Mexico, Oregon, and the States of Texas and California," with the amendments of the Senate thereto, reported the same with a recommendation that the said amendments be concurred in.

Ordered, That the said bill and pending amendments be committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, and printed.

Mr. Stuart submitted the following resolution ; which was read, considered, and agreed to, viz :

Resolved, That all debate in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union on the bill of the House (No. 348) "to establish the territorial government of Columbia," shall cease in five minutes after its consideration is resumed, (if the committee shall not sooner come to a conclusion upon the same;) and the committee shall then proceed to vote on such amendments as shall be pending or offered to the same; and the committee shall then report it to the House with such amendments as may have been agreed to by the committee.

On motion of Mr. Stuart,

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Hibbard reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly bills of the following titles, viz: H. R. 348. "A bill to establish the territorial government of Columbia," and H. R. 353. "A bill to organize the Territory of Nebraska," had directed him to report the former with sundry amendments, and had come to no resolution on the latter.

Mr. Henn, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee did, on this day, present to the President of the United States bills of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 265. An act for the relief of Joseph M. Wilcoxon, of the State of Missouri;

S. 208. An act for the relief of Barbara Reily;

H. R. 232. An act for the relief of C. L. Swayze, in relation to the location of certain Choctaw scrip;

H. R. 233. An act granting the right of way and making a grant of lands to the States of Arkansas and Missouri, to aid in the construction of a railroad from a point on the Mississippi opposite the mouth of the Ohio river, via Little Rock, to the Texas boundary, near Fulton, in Arkansas, with branches to Fort Smith and the Mississippi river.

And then,

On motion of Mr. McMullen,

At 3 o'clock and 45 minutes p. m. the House adjourned until this evening at 7 o'clock p. m.

TUESDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 8, 1853.

In pursuance of the order of Monday last, the House met at 7 o'clock p. m.

No quorum being present,

Mr. Albert G. Brown moved a call of the House;

Pending which,

Mr. Olds moved, at 7 o'clock and 10 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn;

And the question being put,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 9
Nays..... 75

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. John Allison
Thomas H. Averett
Joseph P. Caldwell

Mr. Thomas Y. How, jr.
Andrew Johnson
J. Aristide Landry

Mr. Edson B. Olds
William T. Ward
Addison White.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibighaus
Richard I. Bowie
Obadiah Bowne
Samuel Brenton
Albert G. Brown
Joseph Cable
David K. Cartter
Joseph R. Chandler
William M. Churchwell
Lincoln Clark
Sherrard Clemens
Williamson R. W. Cobb
Joseph S. Cottman
Carlton B. Curtis
John R. J. Daniel
John G. Davis
Milo M. Dimmick
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Charles J. Faulkner
Francis B. Fay
Graham N. Fitch
Thomas J. D. Fuller

Mr. James Gamble
Joshua R. Giddings
Robert Goodenow
Frederick W. Green
Galusha A. Grow
Willard P. Hall
Alexander Harper
Isham G. Harris
Solomon G. Haven
Thomas A. Hendricks
Bernhart Hena
Junius Hillyer
Alexander R. Holladay
Jerediah Horsford
George S. Houston
Joseph W. Jackson
Robert W. Johnson
John Letcher
Edward P. Little
Daniel Mace
Moses McDonald
Fayette McMullen
John McNair
John G. Miller
John S. Millson

Mr. Richard S. Molony
John Moore
John A. Morrison
Charles Murphy
Benjamin D. Nabers
Eben Newton
James L. Orr
Jared Perkins
John S. Phelps
Gilchrist Porter
William Preston
John Robbins, jr.
Lorenzo Sabine
William A. Sackett
David L. Seymour
Origen S. Seymour
Charles Skelton
Edward Stanley
Benjamin Stanton
Nathan T. Stratton
Charles Sweetser
Benjamin B. Thurston
Norton S. Townshend
Abraham W. Venable
Albert G. Watkins.

So the House refused to adjourn.

The question then recurred on the motion of Mr. Albert G. Brown;
And being put,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 51
Nays..... 56

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
Thomas H. Averett
Richard I. Bowie
George Briggs
Joseph Cable
Joseph P. Caldwell
Joseph R. Chandler
William M. Churchwell
Williamson R. W. Cobb
John F. Darby
John G. Davis
Gilbert Dean
James Duane Doty
Ben. C. Eastman
Charles J. Faulkner
Francis B. Fay
Graham N. Fitch

Mr. Robert Goodenow
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Alexander Harper
Isham G. Harris
Solomon G. Haven
Thomas A. Hendricks
Harry Hibbard
Junius Hillyer
Jerediah Horsford
George S. Houston
Thomas Y. How, jr.
John Letcher
Edward P. Little
Daniel Mace
John S. Millson
Charles Murphy

Mr. Benjamin D. Nabers
James L. Orr
Jared Perkins
John S. Phelps
Paulus Powell
William Preston
Reuben Robie
Charles Skelton
William R. Smith
Edward Stanley
Benjamin Stanton
Nathan T. Stratton
Charles Sweetser
Norton S. Townshend
Abraham W. Venable
Albert G. Watkins
Richard Yates.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. John Allison	Mr. Thomas J. D. Fuller	Mr. John Moore
Thomas Bartlett, jr.	James Gamble	John A. Morrison
Hiram Bell	Joshua R. Giddings	William Murray
Henry Bennett	Galusha A. Grow	Eben Newton
Thomas M. Bibbhaus	Willard P. Hall	Edson B. Olds
Obadiah Bowne	Bernhart Henn	Gilchrist Porter
Samuel Brenton	Alexander R. Holladay	John Robbins, jr.
Albert G. Brown	Volney E. Howard	Joseph Russell
David K. Cartter	Joseph W. Jackson	Lorenzo Sabine
John S. Caskie	Timothy Jenkins	William A. Sackett
Elijah W. Chastain	Andrew Johnson	John L. Schoolcraft
Sherrard Clemens	John Johnson	Marius Schoonmaker
Joseph S. Cottman	Robert W. Johnson	David L. Seymour
Carlton B. Curtis	J. Aristide Landry	Origen S. Seymour
John R. J. Daniel	Moses McDonald	Ephraim K. Smart
Milo M. Dimmick	Fayette McMullen	Benjamin B. Thurston
James H. Duncan	John McNair	William T. Ward
Charles Durkee	John G. Miller	Alexander White.
Thomas B. Florence	Richard S. Molony	

So the House refused a call.

Mr. McMullen moved, at 7 o'clock and 45 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

On motion of Mr. Dean,

Ordered, That there be a call of the House.

The roll being called, the following named members failed to answer to their names, viz:

William Aiken, Charles Allen, Willis Allen, John Appleton, William Appleton, William S. Ashe, Leander Babcock, David J. Bailey, Thomas H. Bayly, Nelson Barrere, James M. H. Beale, William H. Bissell, Thomas S. Bocock, John H. Boyd, John Bragg, John C. Breckinridge, George H. Brown, Lorenzo Burrows, Armistead Burt, George H. Busby, E. Carrington Cabell, Lewis D. Campbell, Thompson Campbell, Charles Chapman, Sherrard Clemens, Chauncey F. Cleveland, Thomas L. Clingman, William F. Colcock, James L. Conger, William Cullom, George T. Davis, John L. Dawson, David T. Disney, Alfred Dockery, Cyrus L. Dunham, Alfred P. Edgerton, Henry A. Edmundson, Presley Ewing, Orlando B. Ficklin, John G. Floyd, John D. Freeman, Henry M. Fuller, James M. Gaylord, Meredith P. Gentry, Alfred Gilmore, John Z. Goodrich, Ben. Edwards Grey, William T. Hamilton, Edward Hammond, Sampson W. Harris, Emanuel B. Hart, John H. H. Haws, Augustus P. Hascall, William Hebard, John W. Howe, Thomas M. Howe, William F. Hunter, Colin M. Ingersoll, James Johnson, Daniel T. Jones, George W. Jones, J. Glancy Jones, Preston King, Joseph H. Kuhns, William H. Kurtz, James Lockhart, Horace Mann, Edward C. Marshall, Frederick S. Martin, John C. Mason, James X. McLanahan, John McQueen, James Meacham, Richard K. Meade, Ahiman L. Miner, Henry D. Moore, James T. Morehead, Edson B. Olds, James L. Orr, David Outlaw, Andrew Parker, Samuel W. Parker, Charles H. Peaslee, Alexander G. Penn, William H. Polk, Isaac Reed, George Read Riddle, John L. Robinson, Thomas Ross, John H. Savage, Abr'm M. Schermerhorn, Zeno Scudder, William W. Snow, Richard H. Stanton, Abr'm P. Stephens, Alexander H. Stephens, Thaddeus Stevens, James W. Stone, Louis St.

Martin, James F. Strother, Charles E. Stuart, Josiah Sutherland, Robert Toombs, Amos Tuck, Henry S. Walbridge, Daniel Wallace, Thomas Y. Walsh, Israel Washburn, jr., John Welch, John Wells, Alexander White, John A. Wilcox, Isaac Wildrick, Christopher H. Williams, Joseph A. Woodward.

Mr. Albert G. Brown moved that all further proceedings in the call be dispensed with; which motion was disagreed to.

The doors of the hall were then closed; and

Excuses were offered and received for the non-attendance of William Aiken, Charles Allen, Willis Allen, Leander Babcock, Thomas H. Bayly, James M. H. Beale, and William H. Bissell; when

Mr. Dimmick moved that further proceedings in the call be dispensed with; which motion was disagreed to.

Excuses were further offered and received for the non-attendance of John Bragg, Armistead Burt, E. Carrington Cabell, Chauncey F. Cleveland, Meredith P. Gentry, William T. Hamilton, Edward Hammond, John H. H. Haws, Augustus P. Hascall, William F. Hunter, James Johnson, Daniel T. Jones, James Meacham, Samuel W. Parker, Andrew Parker, James T. Morehead, Isaac Reed, Henry S. Walbridge, Thomas Y. Walsh, John Wells; when

Mr. Hall moved that further proceedings in the call be dispensed with; which motion was disagreed to.

An excuse was offered and received for the non-attendance of Mr. Thomas Ross; when

Mr. Sackett moved that further proceedings in the call be dispensed with; which motion was disagreed to.

Mr. Orr submitted the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the Sergeant-at-arms take into custody the absent members of the House, and bring them to the bar of the House;

Pending which,

Mr. Frederick P. Stanton moved to amend the same by adding thereto the following, viz: "*Provided*, That the Sergeant-at-arms shall not bring the said absentees into the House until to-morrow at 12 o'clock m."

Pending which,

Mr. Goodenow moved, at 8 o'clock and 50 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurred on the amendment of Mr. Stanton.

Pending which,

Mr. McMullen moved that all further proceedings in the call be dispensed with.

The question again recurring on the motion of Mr. Stanton;

Mr. Dean moved the previous question;

Pending which,

Mr. Hall moved, at 8 o'clock and 55 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question recurring on the demand for the previous question,

Mr. Hall moved that the resolution and pending amendment be laid on the table; which motion was disagreed to.

The question again recurring on the demand for the previous question,

Mr. Hall moved that all further proceedings in the call be dispensed with.

The question again recurring on the demand for the previous question,

Mr. Hall moved, at 8 o'clock and 56 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question again recurring on the demand for the previous question, it was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Will the House agree to the said amendment?

And it was decided in the negative.

The question then recurring on the resolution of Mr. Orr,

Mr. Frederick P. Stanton moved, at 8 o'clock and 58 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question again recurring on the said resolution, the yeas and nays were ordered thereon;

Pending which,

Mr. Frederick P. Stanton moved, at 9 o'clock p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question again recurring on the said resolution,

Mr. Goodenow moved that the vote by which the main question was ordered to be put be reconsidered;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Orr,

Ordered, That the motion to reconsider be laid on the table.

The question again recurring on the said resolution,

Mr. Hall moved that it be laid on the table; which motion was disagreed to.

The question again recurring on the said resolution,

Mr. Hall moved that he be excused from voting thereon; which motion was disagreed to.

The question again recurring on the said resolution,

Mr. Hall moved, at 9 o'clock and 7 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question again recurred on the said resolution;

And being put,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 41
Nays..... 68

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. Thomas Bartlett, jr.

George Briggs
Joseph Cable
Joseph P. Caldwell
Carlton B. Curtis
John R. J. Daniel
John F. Darby
John G. Davis
Gilbert Dean
James H. Duncan
Ben. C. Eastman
Charles J. Faulkner
James Gamble
Willis A. Gorman

Mr. Frederick W. Green

Solomon G. Haven
Thomas A. Hendricks
Harry Hibbard
Junius Hillyer
John Letcher
Daniel Mace
John S. Millson
Richard S. Molony
William Murray
Benjamin D. Nabers
James L. Orr
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Jared Perkins

Mr. John S. Phelps

Rodman M. Price
Reuben Robie
Joseph Russell
David L. Seymour
Origen S. Seymour
Charles Skelton
Ephraim K. Smart
William R. Smith
Edward Stanly
Benjamin Stanton
Nathan T. Stratton
Abraham W. Venable.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
John Allison
Thomas H. Averett
Hiram Bell
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibighaus
Richard I. Bowie
Samuel Brenton
Albert G. Brown
David K. Cartter
John S. Caakie
Joseph R. Chandler
Elijah W. Chastain
Lincoln Clark
Williamson R. W. Cobb
Joseph S. Cottman
Milo M. Dimmick
James Duane Doty
Alexander Evans
Francis B. Fay
Graham N. Fitch
Thomas B. Florence
Thomas J. D. Fuller

Mr. Joshua R. Giddings
Robert Goodenow
Galusha A. Grow
Willard P. Hall
Alexander Harper
Isham G. Harris
Bernhart Hem
Alexander R. Holladay
Jerediah Horsford
George S. Houston
Volney E. Howard
Thomas Y. How, jr.
Willard Ives
Joseph W. Jackson
Timothy Jenkins
John Johnson
Robert W. Johnson
George G. King
J. Aristide Landry
Edward P. Little
Joseph W. McCorkle
Moses McDonald
Fayette McMullen

Mr. John McNair
John G. Miller
John Moore
John A. Morrison
Charles Murphy
Eben Newton
Gilchrist Porter
William Preston
William A. Richardson
John Robbins, jr.
Lorenzo Sabine
William A. Sackett
John L. Schoolcraft
Marius Schoonmaker
Richardson Scurry
Frederick P. Stanton
Charles Sweetser
John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston
Norton S. Townshend
William T. Ward
Richard Yates.

So the said resolution was disagreed to.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

Ordered, That all further proceedings in the call be dispensed with.
And then,

On motion of Mr. Cartter,

At 9 o'clock and 25 minutes p. m. the House adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1853.

The following petitions and memorials were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Thompson Campbell: The memorial of the Religious Society of Friends of Indiana Yearly Meeting, praying for the repeal of the fugitive-slave law; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Cabell: The resolutions of the legislature of the State of Florida, praying for a grant of a quarter-section of land to Wakulla county, for the reduction of the price of public lands, and for a grant of land to Sumpter county, in said State.

By Mr. Bibighaus: The petition of citizens of the State of Pennsylvania, praying for a modification of the bounty-land act of 1850.

Ordered, That said petitions and resolutions be referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Cabell: The resolution of the legislature of the State of Florida, in relation to the claim of James M. Bates; which was referred to the Committee of Claims.

By Mr. Briggs: The memorial of the Chamber of Commerce of the city of New York, praying for certain amendments to the warehousing bill now pending before Congress; which was referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

By Mr. Gorman: The petition of S. L. Fremont, praying that the price of rations in the army be commuted to the officers at forty cents per ration; which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Cabell: The resolutions of the legislature of the State of Florida, in relation to a light-house on Sea-horse Key; that Palatka, on St. John's, be made a port of entry; and relative to a marine hospital at Appalachicola; which were referred to the Committee on Commerce.

On motion of Mr. George W. Jones,

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate that this House is now ready to receive that body, for the purpose of proceeding to open and count the votes of the electors of the several States for President and Vice President of the United States.

Agreeably to the resolution of the two Houses, heretofore adopted,

The Senate attended in the hall of the House; the President of the Senate *pro tempore* having taken a seat provided for him on the right of the Speaker, and the senators having taken the seats set apart for them within the bar of the House,

The President of the Senate *pro tempore*, in the presence of the two houses of Congress, proceeded to open the certificates of the electors of the several States for President and Vice President of the United States, beginning with the State of Maine, and ending with the State of California.

And the tellers—Mr. Hunter, of Virginia, on the part of the Senate, and Mr. George W. Jones, of Tennessee, and Mr. Chandler, of Pennsylvania, on the part of the House—having read, counted, and registered the same, making duplicate lists thereof; which lists, having been compared, were delivered to the President of the Senate *pro tempore*, and are as follows, viz:

Statement of the votes for President and Vice President of the United States, for four years from the 4th day of March, 1853.

Number of electoral votes.	States.	FOR PRESIDENT.		FOR VICE PRESIDENT.	
		Franklin Pierce, of New Hampshire.	Winfield Scott, of New Jersey.	William R. King, of Alabama.	Wm. A. Graham, of North Carolina.
8	Maine	8		8	
5	New Hampshire	5		5	
13	Massachusetts		13		13
4	Rhode Island	4		4	
6	Connecticut	6		6	
5	Vermont		5		5
35	New York	35		35	
7	New Jersey	7		7	
27	Pennsylvania	27		27	
3	Delaware	3		3	
8	Maryland	8		8	
15	Virginia	15		15	
10	North Carolina	10		10	
8	South Carolina	8		8	
10	Georgia	10		10	
12	Kentucky		12		12
12	Tennessee		12		12
23	Ohio	23		23	
6	Louisiana	6		6	
7	Mississippi	7		7	
13	Indiana	13		13	
11	Illinois	11		11	
9	Alabama	9		9	
9	Missouri	9		9	
4	Arkansas	4		4	
6	Michigan	6		6	
3	Florida	3		3	
4	Texas	4		4	
4	Iowa	4		4	
5	Wisconsin	5		5	
4	California	4		4	
296		254	42	254	42

The President of the Senate *pro tempore* then announced the state of the votes to the two houses of Congress in joint meeting assembled, as follows:

That the whole number of electors appointed to vote for President and Vice President of the United States is two hundred and ninety-six, (296,) of which number one hundred and forty-nine (149) make a majority.

The state of the vote for President of the United States, as delivered by the tellers, is:

For Franklin Pierce, of New Hampshire.....	254
For Winfield Scott, of New Jersey.....	42

And the state of the vote for Vice President of the United States, as delivered by the tellers, is:

For William R. King, of Alabama.....	254
For William A. Graham, of North Carolina.....	42

That Franklin Pierce, of New Hampshire, had received a majority of the whole number of votes of the electors chosen in the several States to vote for President of the United States; and that William R. King, of Alabama, had received a majority of the whole number of votes of the electors chosen in the several States to vote for Vice President of the United States.

And thereupon,

The President of the Senate *pro tempore* declared,

That Franklin Pierce, of New Hampshire, is duly elected President of the United States for the term of four years, to commence on the 4th day of March, 1853; and that William R. King, of Alabama, is duly elected Vice President of the United States for the term of four years, to commence on the 4th day of March, 1853.

The joint meeting of the two houses was then dissolved, and the Senate returned to their chamber.

Mr. George W. Jones, from the joint committee heretofore appointed on that subject, submitted the following resolution; which was read, considered, and agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That two members of the House be appointed by that body to join a committee of one member of the Senate, to be appointed by that body, to wait on Franklin Pierce, of New Hampshire, and inform him that he has been duly elected President of the United States for four years, commencing on the 4th day of March, 1853.

Subsequently,

A message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Dickens, their Secretary, notifying the House that the Senate had passed a resolution that a committee of one member of the Senate be appointed by that body, to join a committee of two members of the House of Representatives, to be appointed by the House, to wait upon Franklin Pierce, of New Hampshire, to notify him that he has been duly elected President of the United States for four years, to commence on the 4th day of March, 1853; and that Mr. Hunter had been appointed such committee on the part of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. George W. Jones, by unanimous consent, the said message was taken up, and the said resolution agreed to.

Ordered, That the Speaker appoint the committee on the part of the House.

The Speaker thereupon appointed Mr. George W. Jones and Mr. Hibbard.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Wildrick, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, bills of the following titles, viz:

S. 510. An act for the relief of Asenath M. Elliot;

S. 360. An act for the relief of the widow of John A. Lynch;

S. 584. An act authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue a register to the British bark *Fanny* under the name of *Golden Mirror* ;

S. 97. An act to make the salary of the judge of the criminal court of the District of Columbia equal to that of an assistant judge of the circuit court of said District.

When

The Speaker signed the same.

Mr. Lane, by unanimous consent, introduced a bill (No. 357) "to amend an act entitled 'An act to amend an act to settle and adjust the expenses of the people of Oregon from attacks and hostilities of Cayuse Indians in the years 1847 and 1848, approved August 21, 1852 ;' " which was read a first and second time, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Ewing moved that when the House adjourns, it adjourn until to-morrow at 12 o'clock m.

Mr. Isham G. Harris made the point of order that the said motion was not in order.

The Speaker decided that, inasmuch as it was competent for the House to adjourn over for any period not exceeding three days, the motion to adjourn until to-morrow was in order. The resolution of the House which directed that night sessions be held is not more imperative than the authority by which our daily sessions are held, and if it is competent for the House to adjourn over the latter, (as every one admits is the case,) it seems equally clear that it may adjourn over the former.

From this decision of the Chair, Mr. Orr appealed.

When,

On motion of Mr. Cartter, it was ordered that the said appeal be laid on the table.

So the decision of the Chair was sustained.

The question was then put on the motion submitted by Mr. Ewing,

And decided in the affirmative, { Yeas 91
Nays 75

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. William Aiken
John Allison
John Appleton
William Appleton
William S. Ashe
Thomas H. Averett
Leander Babcock
David J. Bailey
Nelson Barrere
Thomas S. Bocock
John Bragg
Samuel Rrenton
Lorenzo Burrows
George H. Busby
Joseph P. Caldwell
Lewis D. Campbell
Thompson Campbell
David K. Cartter
Joseph R. Chandler
Elijah W. Chastain
William M. Churchwell

Mr. Chauncey F. Cleveland
Thomas L. Clingman
William F. Colcock
James L. Conger
Joseph S. Cottman
William Cullom
George T. Davis
Milo M. Dimmick
Alfred P. Edgerton
Presley Ewing
Thomas B. Florence
Henry M. Fuller
Thomas J. D. Fuller
Robert Goodenow
Willis A. Gorman
Ben. Edwards Grey
Willard P. Hall
Alexander Harper
Sampson W. Harris
Augustus P. Hascall
Solomon . Haven

Mr. Harry Hibbard
Jerediah Horsford
Thomas M. Howe
Colin M. Ingersoll
Willard Ives
Andrew Johnson
James Johnson
George W. Jones
George G. King
Preston King
J. Aristide Landry
Frederick S. Martin
Moses McDonald
James X. McLanahan
Fayette McMullen
John McQueen
John G. Miller
Samuel W. Parker
Charles H. Peaslee
Jared Perkins
William H. Polk

Mr. Paulus Powell	Mr. Alexander H. Stephens	Mr. Daniel Wallace
John Robbins, jr.	Louis St. Martin	Israel Washburn, jr.
Thomas Ross	Charles Sweetser	Albert G. Watkins
Joseph Russell	John L. Taylor	Addison White
John L. Schoolcraft	Benjamin B. Thurston	John A. Wilcox
Marius Schoonmaker	Robert Toombs	Isaac Wildrick
Richardson Scurry	Norton S. Townshend	Christopher H. Williams
David L. Seymour	Amos Tuck	Joseph A. Woodward
Ephraim K. Smart	Abraham W. Venable	Richard Yates.
Frederick P. Stanton		

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Hiram Bell	Mr. William T. Hamilton	Mr. James L. Orr
Henry Bennett	Isham G. Harris	David Outlaw
Thomas M. Bibbighaus	John H. H. Haws	Ebenezer J. Penniman
Richard L. Bowie	Thomas A. Hendricks	John S. Phelps
Albert G. Brown	Junius Hillyer	Gilchrist Porter
John S. Caskie	Alexander R. Holladay	William Preston
Lincoln Clark	George S. Houston	Rodman M. Price
Williamson R. W. Cobb	John W. Howe	Isaac Reed
Carlton B. Curtis	Thomas Y. How, jr.	George Read Riddle
John R. J. Daniel	Joseph W. Jackson	Reuben Robie
John F. Darby	J. Glancy Jones	John L. Robinson
John G. Davis	John Letcher	Lorenzo Sabine
James H. Duncan	Edward P. Little	Abr'm M. Schermerborn
Cyrus L. Dunham	James Lockhart	Origen S. Seymour
Ben. C. Eastman	Daniel Mace	Charles Skelton
Henry A. Edmundson	Horace Mann	William R. Smith
Alexander Evans	John McNair	Edward Stanley
Charles J. Faulkner	John S. Millson	Benjamin Stanton
Francis B. Fay	Richard S. Molony	Abr'm P. Stephens
Graham N. Fitch	John Moore	Nathan T. Stratton
James Gamble	John A. Morrison	James F. Strother
James M. Gaylord	Charles Murphy	Josiah Sutherland
Alfred Gilmore	William Murray	Thomas Y. Walsh
Frederick W. Green	Benjamin D. Nabers	John Welch
Galusha A. Grow	Eben Newton	Alexander White.

So it was ordered that when the House adjourns, it adjourn until tomorrow at 12 o'clock m.

A message, in writing, was received from the President of the United States, by Millard P. Fillmore, his private secretary; which was handed in at the Speaker's table.

• Mr. Hall submitted the following resolution, viz :

Resolved, That all debate in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union on the bill of the House (No. 353) "to organize the Territory of Nebraska" shall cease in thirty minutes after its consideration is resumed, (unless the committee shall sooner come to a conclusion upon the same;) and the committee shall then proceed to vote on such amendments as may be pending or offered to the same, and shall then report it to the House with such amendments as may have been agreed to by the committee.

The said resolution having been read,

Mr. Orr moved to amend the same by striking out "thirty minutes," and inserting, in lieu thereof, "*one hour*;" which motion was agreed to.

The question then recurred on the said resolution as amended;

And being put, it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Hall moved that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Polk,

At 2 o'clock and 40 minutes p. m. the House adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock m.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1853.

The following petitions and resolutions were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Cabell: The concurrent resolutions of the legislature of the State of Florida relative to the sixteenth section of land for school purposes; which were referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Miner: The petition of citizens of the State of New Hampshire, praying for indemnity relative to a certain railroad; which was referred to the Committee of Claims.

By Mr. Walsh: The petition of the president and directors of the Ohio Falls Marine Railway Company, praying for aid in the construction of a marine railway to overcome the obstructions to navigation at the falls of the Ohio river; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. Meacham, by unanimous consent, introduced a bill (No. 355) "to amend an act entitled 'An act for the relief of Joseph Johnston,' approved May 4, 1852, by correcting a clerical error;" which was read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed and read a third time.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

On motion of Mr. Briggs, by unanimous consent, the bill of the Senate (No. 603) entitled "An act authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue a register to the American-built steamship Albatross," was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the said bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

This being one of the days set apart for the consideration of territorial business, the House proceeded to the consideration of the bill of the House (No. 348) "to establish the territorial government of Columbia;" the pending question being on the amendments reported thereto from the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. Stuart moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put;

Pending which,

Mr. George W. Jones moved that the bill be laid on the table; which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurred on agreeing to the said amendments; And being put, they were severally agreed to.

Under the further operation of the previous question, the said bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time.

The question then being on its passage,

Mr. Cable moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Shall the bill pass?

And it was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 129
Nays 29

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
Willis Allen
John Allison
John Appleton
William Appleton
Thomas H. Averett
Thomas Bartlett, jr.
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibighaus
Richard I. Bowie
Samuel Brenton
George Briggs
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
Thompson Campbell
David K. Cartter
Joseph R. Chandler
William M. Churchwell
Lincoln Clark
Thomas L. Clingman
Joseph S. Cottman
William Cullom
John R. J. Daniel
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Milo M. Dimmick
David T. Disney
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Charles Durkee
Alfred P. Edgerton
Alexander Evans
Francis B. Fay
Orlando B. Ficklin
Graham N. Fitch
Thomas B. Florence
John G. Floyd
John D. Freeman
James Gamble
James M. Gaylord
Joshua R. Giddings

Mr. Robert Goodenow
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Ben. Edwards Grey
Galusha A. Grow
Willard P. Hall
Alexander Harper
Emanuel B. Hart
Thomas A. Hendricks
Bernhart Henn
Harry Hibbard
Alexander R. Holladay
Jerediah Horsford
John W. Howe
Thomas M. Howe
Thomas Y. How, jr.
Colin M. Ingersoll
Willard Ives
John Johnson
Robert W. Johnson
J. Glancy Jones
George G. King
Preston King
William H. Kurtz
J. Aristide Landry
Edward P. Little
James Lockhart
Horace Mann
Moses McDonald
James X. McLanahan
Fayette McMullen
John McNair
James Meacham
John G. Miller
John S. Millson
Ahiman L. Miner
Richard S. Molony
Henry D. Moore
John A. Morrison
William Murray
Benjamin D. Nabers
Eben Newton
James L. Orr

Mr. Samuel W. Parker
Charles H. Peaslee
Alexander G. Penn
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Jared Perkins
Paulus Powell
William A. Preston
Rodman M. Price
Isaac Reed
William A. Richardson
George Read Riddle
John Robbins, jr.
Reuben Robie
John L. Robinson
Lorenzo Sabine
William A. Sackett
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
Origen S. Seymour
Charles Skelton
Ephraim K. Smart
William R. Smith
Edward Stanly
Benjamin Stanton
Frederick P. Stanton
Richard H. Stanton
Abr'm P. Stephens
James W. Stone
Nathan T. Stratton
Charles E. Stuart
Charles Sweetser
John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston
Norton S. Townshend
Abraham W. Venable
William T. Ward
Israel Washburn, jr.
John Welch
John Wells
Addison White
John A. Wilcox
Christopher H. Williams
Joseph A. Woodward
Richard Yates.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
Nelson Barrere
Joseph P. Caldwell
Lewis D. Campbell
Elijah W. Chastain
Williamson R. W. Cobb
William F. Colcock
Alfred Dockery
Cyrus L. Dunham
Meredith P. Gentry

Mr. Isham G. Harris
Sampson W. Harris
Solomon G. Haven
George S. Houston
Joseph W. Jackson
James Johnson
George W. Jones
John Letcher
Frederick S. Martin
John McQueen

Mr. John Moore
James T. Morehead
Charles Murphy
David Outlaw
Daniel Wallace
Thomas Y. Walsh
Albert G. Watkins
Alexander White
Isaac Wildrick.

So the bill was passed.

The title of the bill having been read,

Mr. Richardson moved to amend the same by striking out "Columbia," and inserting, in lieu thereof, "Washington."

After debate,

Mr. Stuart moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Will the House agree to the said amendment?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

Under the further operation of the previous question, the said title as amended was agreed to.

Mr. Stuart moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the said bill.

Mr. Richardson, from the Committee on Territories, reported a bill (No. 359) "making appropriations for the construction of public buildings in the Territory of New Mexico;" which was read a first and second time, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, and ordered to be printed.

A message in writing was received from the President of the United States, by Millard P. Fillmore, his private secretary, which was handed in at the Speaker's table; also, a message notifying the House that he did, on the 9th instant, approve and sign bills of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 232. An act for the relief of C. L. Swayze in relation to the location of certain Choctaw scrip;

H. R. 233. An act granting the right of way and making a grant of lands to the States of Arkansas and Missouri, to aid in the construction of a railroad from a point on the Mississippi opposite the mouth of the Ohio river, via Little Rock, to the Texas boundary, near Fulton, in Arkansas, with branches to Fort Smith and the Mississippi river;

H. R. 265. An act for the relief of Joseph M. Wilcoxon, of the State of Missouri.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed, without amendment, a bill of this House of the following title, viz:

H. R. 356. An act for the relief of Captain George P. Smith.

The Senate have also passed a bill of the following title, viz:

S. 615. An act to confirm the claim of William H. Henderson and the heirs of Robert Henderson to five hundred acres of land in the Bastrop grant;

in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

A second message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed, without amendment, a bill of this House of the following title, viz:

H. R. 355. An act to change the name of the steamboat "Forest City."

The Senate have also passed a bill and joint resolution of the following titles, viz:

S. 539. An act for the relief of Passed Midshipmen George P. Welsh and Clark H. Wells;

S. 71. A resolution for the relief of L. E. L. A. Lawson, sole surviving heiress of General Eleazer W. Ripley, deceased ; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

On motion of Mr. Stuart,

The House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union ; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Hibbard reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the bill of the House (No. 353) "to organize the Territory of Nebraska," had directed him to report the same with amendments, and with a recommendation that it do not pass.

The Speaker stated the question to be on agreeing to the said amendments ;

Pending which,

Mr. Richardson moved the previous question ; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put ; when

Mr. Letcher moved that the bill be laid on the table ;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. George W. Jones,

Ordered, That when the House adjourns, it adjourn until to-morrow. The question was then put on the motion of Mr. Letcher. And

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 49
Nays 107

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abererombie
William S. Ashe
Thomas H. Averett
David J. Bailey
Thomas S. Bocock
Richard I. Bowie
James Brooks
Albert G. Brown
John S. Caskie
Elijah W. Chaastain
Williamson R. W. Cobb
William F. Colcock
Joseph S. Cottman
William Cullom
John R. J. Daniel
Alfred Dockery
Cyrus L. Dunham

Mr. Henry A. Edmundson
Sampson W. Harris
John H. H. Haws
Solomon G. Haven
Bernhart Henn
Jerediah Horsford
George S. Houston
Volney E. Howard
Thomas M. Howe
Joseph W. Jackson
George W. Jones
John Letcher
John McQueen
James Meacham
Richard K. Meade
John S. Millson

Mr. James T. Morehead
Charles Murphy
James L. Orr
David Outlaw
Thomas Ross
William A. Sackett
Edward Stanly
Abr'm P. Stephens
James F. Strother
Josiah Sutherland
Abraham W. Venable
Daniel Wallace
Thomas Y. Walsh
John A. Wilcox
Isaac Wildrick
Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
Willis Allen
John Allison
William Appleton
Leander Babcock
Nelson Barrere
Hiram Bell
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibbhaun
Samuel Brenton
George H. Busby

Mr. Joseph Cable
Lewis D. Campbell
Thompson Campbell
David K. Cartter
Joseph R. Chandler
Lincoln Clark
Chauncey F. Cleveland
Thomas L. Clingman
James L. Conger
John F. Darby
George T. Davis

Mr. John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick
David T. Disney
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Charles Durkee
Ben. C. Eastman
Alfred P. Edgerton
Alexander Evans

Mr. Orlando B. Ficklin
 Graham N. Fitch
 Thomas B. Florence
 James Gamble
 James M. Gaylord
 Joshua R. Giddings
 Alfred Gilmore
 John Z. Goodrich
 Willis A. Gorman
 Frederick W. Green
 Ben. Edwards Grey
 Galusha A. Grow
 Willard P. Hall
 Alexander Harper
 Emanuel B. Hart
 Thomas A. Hendricks
 Harry Hibbard
 Alexander R. Holladay
 John W. Howe
 Thomas Y. How, jr.
 Colin M. Ingersoll
 Willard Ives
 Timothy Jenkins
 Andrew Johnson
 John Johnson

Mr. J. Glancy Jones
 Preston King
 J. Aristide Landry
 Edward P. Little
 James Lockhart
 Daniel Mace
 Joseph W. McCorkle
 Moses McDonald
 Fayette McMullen
 John McNair
 John G. Miller
 Richard S. Molony
 Henry D. Moore
 John A. Morrison
 William Murray
 Eben Newton
 Andrew Parker
 Samuel W. Parker
 Ebenezer J. Penniman
 Jared Perkins
 John S. Phelps
 Gilchrist Porter
 Paulus Powell
 Rodman M. Price
 Isaac Reed

Mr. William A. Richardson
 John Robbins, jr.
 Reuben Robie
 Lorenzo Sabine
 Origen S. Seymour
 Charles Skelton
 Ephraim K. Smart
 William R. Smith
 Benjamin Stanton
 James W. Stone
 Louis St. Martin
 Nathan T. Stratton
 Charles E. Stuart
 John L. Taylor
 Benjamin B. Thurston
 Norton S. Townshend
 Henry S. Walbridge
 William T. Ward
 Israel Washburn, jr.
 Albert G. Watkins
 John Wells
 Alexander White
 Christopher H. Williams
 Richard Yates.

So the House refused to lay the bill on the table.

The said amendments were then severally read and agreed to.

Under the further operation of the previous question, the bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time.

The question then being on its passage,

Mr. Richardson moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put; when

Mr. Henn, at 4 o'clock and 10 minutes p. m., moved that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question was then put, Shall the bill pass?

And it was decided in the affirmative, {	Yeas	98
	Nays	43

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
 Willis Allen
 John Allison
 Leander Babcock
 Nelson Barrere
 Hiram Bell
 Thomas M. Bibighaus
 George H. Busby
 Joseph Cable
 Lewis D. Campbell
 Thompson Campbell
 David K. Cartter
 Lincoln Clark
 Chauncey F. Cleveland
 Thomas L. Clingman
 John F. Darby
 John G. Davis
 John L. Dawson
 Gilbert Dean
 Milo M. Dimmick
 James Duane Doty

Mr. James H. Duncan
 Charles Durkee
 Ben. C. Eastman
 Alfred P. Edgerton
 Alexander Evans
 Orlando B. Ficklin
 Graham N. Fitch
 Thomas B. Florence
 James Gamble
 James M. Gaylord
 Joshua R. Giddings
 Alfred Gilmore
 John Z. Goodrich
 Willis A. Gorman
 Frederick W. Green
 Ben. Edwards Grey
 Galusha A. Grow
 Willard P. Hall
 Alexander Harper
 Emanuel B. Hart
 Thomas A. Hendricks

Mr. Harry Hibbard
 Alexander R. Holladay
 John W. Howe
 Thomas Y. How, jr.
 Colin M. Ingersoll
 Willard Ives
 Timothy Jenkins
 Andrew Johnson
 John Johnson
 J. Glancy Jones
 Preston King
 J. Aristide Landry
 Edward P. Little
 James Lockhart
 Daniel Mace
 Horace Mann
 Moses McDonald
 Fayette McMullen
 John McNair
 John G. Miller
 Richard S. Molony

Mr. Henry D. Moore	Mr. John Robbins jr.	Mr. John L. Taylor
John A. Morrison	Reuben Robie	Benjamin B. Thurston
William Murray	Lorenzo Sabine	Norton S. Townshend
Eben Newton	Origen S. Seymour	Henry S. Walbridge
Andrew Parker	Charles Skelton	William T. Ward
Ebenezer J. Penniman	Ephraim K. Smart	Israel Washburn, jr.
Jared Perkins	William R. Smith	Albert G. Watkins
Gilchrist Porter	Benjamin Stanton	John Welch
Paulus Powell	James W. Stone	John Wells
Rodman M. Price	Louis St. Martin	Christopher H. Williams
Isaac Reed	Nathan T. Stratton	Richard Yates.
William A. Richardson	Charles E. Stuart	

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie	Mr. Henry A. Edmundson	Mr. John S. Millson
William Appleton	Sampson W. Harris	James T. Morehead
Thomas H. Averett	John H. H. Haws	James L. Orr
Thomas S. Boccock	Solomon G. Haven	David Outlaw
Richard I. Bowie	Bernhart Henn	Thomas Ross
James Brooks	Jerediah Horsford	Edward Stanly
Albert G. Brown	George S. Houston	Abr'm P. Stephens
John S. Caskie	Volney E. Howard	James F. Strother
Elijah W. Chastain	Thomas M. Howe	Josiah Sutherland
Williamson R. W. Cobb	Joseph W. Jackson	Abraham W. Venable
William F. Colecock	George W. Jones	Daniel Wallace
Joseph S. Cottman	John Letcher	Thomas Y. Walsh
John R. J. Daniel	John McQueen	Isaac Wildrick
Alfred Dockery	James Meacham	Joseph A. Woodward.
Cyrus L. Dunham		

So the bill was passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Mr. Richardson moved that the vote by which the said bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Lane, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union be discharged from the further consideration of the bill of the House (No. 357) "to amend an act entitled 'An act to amend an act to settle and adjust the expenses of the people of Oregon from attacks and hostilities of Cayuse Indians in the years 1847 and 1848,' approved August 21, 1852."

Pending the question on its engrossment,

Mr. Stuart moved that the vote by which the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union was discharged from the further consideration of the said bill be reconsidered;

Pending which,

Mr. Gorman gave notice, under the rule, of his intention to move for leave to introduce "a bill to indemnify the State of Indiana for the failure of the title to a portion of the lands heretofore granted to the State by Congress for a State seminary of learning."

And then,

On motion of Mr. McNair,

At 4 o'clock and 30 minutes p. m. the House adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1853.

The following petitions and memorial were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Doty: The petition of James D. Doty, praying for the construction of a railroad, and the establishment of a mail-route, from Washington city, via Baltimore and Philadelphia, to the city of New York.

By Mr. Walsh: The memorial of the Board of Trade of the city of Baltimore, praying that the 5th section of the act approved August 31, 1852, establishing certain post-roads, &c., be repealed.

By Mr. Beale: The petition of citizens of Putnam and Cabell counties, in the State of Virginia, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Putnam court-house, to intersect the mail-route from Kanawha court-house, to Wayne court-house, at James Black's, in said State.

Ordered, That said petitions and memorial be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Robbins: The petition of citizens of Philadelphia county, in the State of Pennsylvania, praying for a modification of the bounty-land law of 1850.

By Mr. Bell: The petition of Captain Amos Soper, praying to be granted bounty land.

By Mr. Walbridge: The petition of citizens of Chemung county, in the State of New York, praying for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a ship-canal around the Falls of the Niagara.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Grey: The petition of citizens of Daviss county, in the State of Kentucky, praying for the payment to the several States the fourth instalment of the surplus revenue, under the act of June 23, 1836.

By Mr. Wildrick: The petition of Franklin Chase, praying to be paid his proportion of the proceeds of the sale of the schooner "Oregon," sold at Tampico, Mexico; he having been the "informer."

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

By Mr. Phelps: The petition of James W. Owens, praying for authority to correct a mistake in describing a tract of land which he claims by pre-emption; which was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Bell: The petition of the administrator of Eli Hobbs, praying for compensation for property, taken by the United States during the war of 1812, of George Hobbs, deceased.

By Mr. Bennett: The petition of Henry B. Field, praying for relief.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Walsh: The memorial of the steamboat owners of the city of Baltimore, in the State of Maryland, praying for a modification of the steamboat law of last session of Congress.

Ordered, That said petition be referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. Stuart called up the motion submitted by him on yesterday, to reconsider the vote by which the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union was discharged from the further consideration of the bill of the House (No. 357) "to amend an act entitled 'An act to amend an act to settle and adjust the expenses of the people of Oregon from attacks and hostilities of Cayuse Indians in the years 1847 and 1848,' approved August 21, 1852;" when

Mr. Stuart, by unanimous consent, withdrew his said motion to reconsider, and the House proceeded to the consideration of the bill.

Ordered, That it be engrossed and read a third time.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Mr. David L. Seymour, by unanimous consent, reported a bill (No. 360) "establishing reciprocal trade with the British North American colonies upon certain conditions," accompanied by a report in writing; which bill was read a first and second time.

Pending the question on its engrossment,

Mr. Thomas J. D. Fuller submitted an amendment to the said bill.

On motion of Mr. David L. Seymour,

Ordered, That the said bill and report be printed.

Mr. David L. Seymour moved that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Commerce;

Pending which,

Mr. George W. Jones moved that it be committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union;

Pending which, the yeas and nays having been ordered thereon,

Mr. Houston submitted the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That all debate in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union on the bill of the House (No. 336) "making appropriations for the support of the army for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854," shall cease in one hour and a half after its consideration is resumed, (if the committee shall not sooner come to a conclusion upon the same;) and the committee shall then proceed to vote on such amendments as may be pending or offered to the same, and shall then report it to the House with such amendments as may have been agreed to by the committee.

The said resolution having been read,

Mr. Venable moved to amend the same by striking out the words "and a half," so as to close debate in one hour, &c.;

Pending which,

Mr. Houston moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put; and, under the operation thereof, the said amendment was disagreed to.

Under the further operation of the previous question, the said resolution was agreed to.

Mr. Houston moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Houston moved that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union;

Pending which,

Mr. Edgerton moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House for the consideration of private bills.

And the question being first put on the latter motion, (this being private bill day,) it was decided in the negative.

The question was then put on the motion submitted by Mr. Houston, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Albert G. Brown reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the bill of the House (No. 336) "making appropriations for the support of the army for the year ending June 30, 1854," had directed him to report the same with sundry amendments.

The Speaker stated the question to be on agreeing to the said amendments;

Pending which,

Mr. Houston moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered; and, under the operation thereof, the first, second, third, fourth, fifth, seventh, eighth, ninth, and tenth amendments were severally agreed to.

The *sixth* amendment was then read, as follows, viz:

Add at the end of line 123—

"*Provided*, That, from and after the first day of July next, so much of the act of Congress approved August 23, 1842, as places the national armories under the superintendence of an officer of the ordnance corps be, and the same is hereby, repealed; and from that day the said armories shall be under that system of superintendence which existed prior to the passage of said act of Congress."

And the question being put, Will the House agree thereto?

It was decided in the affirmative,	{ Yeas	87
	{ Nays	59

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. Charles Allen

Willis Allen
Thomas H. Averett
David J. Bailey
Thomas Bartlett, jr.
Thomas S. Bocock
George Briggs
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
Thompson Campbell
Elijah W. Chastain
William M. Churchwell
Lincoln Clark
Sherrard Clemens
Chauncey F. Cleveland
Williamson R. W. Cobb
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick

Mr. Charles Durkee

Ben. C. Eastman
Alfred P. Edgerton
Henry A. Edmundson
Charles J. Faulkner
Francis B. Fay
Orlando B. Ficklin
Graham N. Fitch
Thomas B. Florence
John G. Floyd
John D. Freeman
James Gamble
James M. Gaylord
Joshua R. Giddings
John Z. Goodrich
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Galusha A. Grow
Willard P. Hall
Isaham G. Harris

Mr. Emanuel B. Hart

Thomas A. Hendricks
Bernhart Henn
Alexander R. Holladay
Thomas Y. How, jr.
Colin M. Ingersoll
Willard Ives
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
John Johnson
George W. Jones
J. Glancy Jones
Preston King
William H. Kurtz
John Letcher
Edward P. Little
Horace Mann
James X. McLanahan
John McNair
Richard K. Meade

Mr. John S. Millson
Richard S. Moloay
John A. Morrison
Charles Murphy
William Murray
Benjamin D. Nabers
Andrew Parker
John S. Phelps
William H. Polk

Mr. Paulus Powell
Isaac Reed
John Robbins, jr.
Reuben Robie
Joseph Russell
David L. Seymour
Origen S. Seymour
Charles Skelton
William W. Snow

Mr. Louis St. Martin
Nathan T. Stratton
Josiah Sutherland
Charles Sweetser
Benjamin B. Thurston
Norton S. Townshend
Amos Tuck
Thomas Y. Walsh
Isaac Wildrick.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. John Allison
William Appleton
Nelson Barrere
Hiram Bell
Henry Bennett
Richard I. Bowie
John H. Boyd
Samuel Brenton
James Brooks
Albert G. Brown
E. Carrington Cabell
Joseph P. Caldwell
Lewis D. Campbell
Joseph R. Chandler
Thomas L. Clingman
William F. Colcock
Joseph S. Cottman
John R. J. Daniel
John F. Darby
George T. Davis

Mr. Alfred Dockery
James H. Duncan
Alexander Evans
Ben. Edwards Grey
Alexander Harper
John H. H. Haws
Solomon G. Haven
Jerediah Horsford
George S. Houston
Volney E. Howard
John W. Howe
Thomas M. Howe
George G. King
J. Aristide Landry
John McQueen
John G. Miller
Henry D. Moore
John Moore
James T. Morehead
Eben Newton

Mr. James L. Orr
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Gilchrist Porter
William Preston
Lorenzo Sabine
William A. Sackett
Marius Schoonmaker
Edward Stanly
Benjamin Stanton
John L. Taylor
Abraham W. Venable
Henry S. Walbridge
William T. Ward
Israel Washburn, jr.
Albert G. Watkins
John Welch
John A. Wilcox
Christopher H. Williams
Joseph A. Woodward.

So the said amendment was agreed to.

All of the pending amendments having been disposed of,

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read a third time.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Mr. Houston moved that the vote by which the bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

A message in writing was received from the President of the United States, by Millard P. Fillmore, his private secretary; which was handed in at the Speaker's table.

Mr. Smith gave notice, under the rule, of his intention to move for leave to introduce a bill "to change the mode of compensating members of Congress, and for other purposes."

Mr. Henn, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee did, on the 10th instant, present to the President of the United States bills of the following titles, viz:

S. 510. An act for the relief of Asenath M. Elliot;

S. 360. An act for the relief of the widow of John A. Lynch;

S. 584. An act authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue a register to the British bark *Fanny*, under the name of *Golden Mirror*; and

S. 97. An act to make the salary of the judge of the criminal court of the District of Columbia equal to that of an assistant judge of the circuit court of said District.

Mr. Henn, from the same committee, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, a bill of the following title, viz: S. 603. An act authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue a register to the American-built steamship Albatross; when

The Speaker signed the same.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

Ordered, That when the House adjourns, it adjourn until to-morrow at 12 o'clock m.

Mr. Preston King, by unanimous consent, submitted the following resolution; which was read, considered, and agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That the Speaker be authorized to pay to the widow of honorable Alexander H. Buell, deceased, whatever balance was due said deceased on account of mileage and per diem at the time of his death.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a bill of this House of the following title, viz:

H. R. 157. An act for the relief of Josiah P. Pilcher, late a private in company F, second Kentucky regiment volunteers, in the war with Mexico, with amendments; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The Senate have agreed to the amendments of this House to the bill of the Senate (No. 316) entitled "An act for the relief of the town of Belleview, in Iowa," with amendments; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The Senate have passed a bill of the following title, viz:

S. 463. An act for the relief of Mary Woodward; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The President of the United States has notified the Senate that he did, on the 9th instant, approve and sign a bill of the following title, viz:

S. 208. An act for the relief of Barbara Reily.

And then,

On motion of Mr. Sweetser,

At 4 o'clock and 3 minutes p. m. the House adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1853.

The following petitions, memorials, and other papers were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Edmundson: The petitions of citizens of the State of Virginia, praying for the establishment of the following mail-routes, to wit: From Princeton to Wytheville, in said State; from Logan court-house to Guyandotte; from Kent, in Montgomery, to Simpson, in Floyd county; and from New Castle to James Scott's tavern stand, in Craig county, in said State.

By Mr. Gilmore: The petition of citizens of the State of Pennsylvania, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from State Lick post office to Cowensville, in said State.

By Mr. Walbridge: The petition of citizens of Tioga county, in the

State of New York, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Owego to Waverly, in said county.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Bowie: The petition of Sarah Holland, widow of George Holland, praying for increase of pension; which was referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions.

By Mr. Durkee: The petition of Lewis Washburn, an invalid of the war of 1812, praying for a pension;

Also, the petition of Martin Townsend, an invalid of the war of 1812, praying for a pension.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. John G. Davis: The joint resolution of the legislature of the State of Indiana, praying Congress to donate to said State all the unsold lands lying within its limits, for school purposes.

By Mr. Preston King: The petition of citizens of the State of New York, praying for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a ship-canal around Niagara Falls.

By Mr. Lane: The petition of citizens of the Territory of Oregon, praying for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a railroad from Puget's sound to some suitable point at or near the mouth of the Crowlitz river.

Ordered, That said resolution and petition be referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Darby: The petition of Adolph Papin, Henry Papin, Mary Atchison, and others, praying for the confirmation of their title to certain lands in the State of Missouri; which was referred to the Committee on Private Land Claims.

By Mr. Origen S. Seymour: The petition of Abner W. Allen, praying for the passage of the French spoliation bill.

By Mr. Bowie: The petition of Martin Bosse, praying for indemnity on account of spoiliations by the French prior to 1800.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. Florence: The memorial of citizens of the northern and eastern States, owners and agents of steamboat lines, &c., praying that the law commonly known as the "steamboat law" be postponed in its effect for nine months after the rules and regulations to be made by the inspectors shall have been published.

By Mr. Babcock: The petition of citizens of the county of Oswego, in the State of New York, praying for a grant of public lands to aid in the construction of a ship-canal around the Falls of Niagara.

By Mr. Ives: The petition of citizens of Jefferson county, in the State of New York, praying for the construction of a breakwater in the harbor of Cape Vincent, in said State.

Ordered, That said petitions and memorial be referred to the Committee on Commerce.

The Speaker, by unanimous consent, laid before the House the following messages, heretofore received from the President of the United States, viz:

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

I transmit to the House of Representatives, herewith, a communication from the Secretary of the Interior, accompanied by the annual report of the Board of Inspectors of the Penitentiary of the District of Columbia, for the year ending 31st December, 1852, as required by law.

MILLARD FILLMORE.

WASHINGTON CITY, *February 10, 1853.*

Ordered, That the said message and accompanying documents be referred to the Committee for the District of Columbia, and printed.

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

I herewith communicate, for the information of Congress, a copy of the report of the Director of the Mint for the past year.

MILLARD FILLMORE.

WASHINGTON, *February 8, 1853.*

Ordered, That the said message and accompanying documents be laid on the table, and printed.

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

I herewith transmit a communication from the Secretary of the Navy, accompanied by the first part of Lieutenant Herndon's report of the exploration of the valley of the Amazon and its tributaries, made by him, in connexion with Lieutenant Lardner Gibbon, under instructions from the Navy Department.

MILLARD FILLMORE.

WASHINGTON, *February 9, 1853.*

Ordered, That the said message and accompanying report be referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs, and printed.

The Speaker also, by unanimous consent, laid before the House the following executive communications, viz:

I. A letter from the Secretary of State, transmitting lists of clerks and other persons employed in his department during the last year; which was laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

II. A letter from the Secretary of State, transmitting statements showing the number and designation of passengers who arrived in the United States during the year ending December 31, 1852; which was laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

III. A letter from the Secretary of State, transmitting statements showing the expenditures of the contingent fund of that department for the last fiscal year; which was laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

IV. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a statement of the expenditures from the marine hospital fund for the relief of sick and disabled seamen, for the year ending the 30th of June, 1852, which was laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

V. A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting a transcript of the official army register for the year ending 30th June, 1851, showing the pay and allowances of each officer of the army; which was laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

VI. A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting a transcript of the official Army Register for the year ending June 30, 1850, showing the annual pay and allowances of each officer of the army; which was laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

VII. A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting "an abstract of the returns of the militia of all the States and Territories, with their arms, accoutrements, and ammunition," taken from the latest returns that have been received by his department; which was laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

The Speaker also, by unanimous consent, laid before the House a letter from the Superintendent of Public Printing, submitting estimates for the paper required for the printing of the 1st session of the 33d Congress, for the paper for the printing of the several executive departments for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1854, and for the expenses of his office for the same period; which was referred to the Committee of Ways and Means, and ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Clark, by unanimous consent, the bill of the Senate (No. 316) entitled "An act for the relief of the town of Bellevue, in Iowa," heretofore passed the House with amendments, and subsequently reported from the Senate with amendments to the said amendments, was taken up.

Ordered, That the said amendments of the Senate to the amendments of the House be agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Duncan, by unanimous consent, from the Committee on Commerce, reported a bill (No. 361) "for the relief of John Millar;" which was read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read a third time.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickens, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed bills of the following titles, viz:

S. 621. An act for the relief of the heirs and legal representatives of William Weeks;

S. 622. An act authorizing changes in the location of land offices; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. George W. Jones, by unanimous consent, the bill of the Senate (No. 421) entitled "An act for the relief of John Williams" was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the said bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Albert G. Brown gave notice, under the rule, of his intention to move for leave to introduce a joint resolution authorizing the Secretary

of State to contract with American sculptors for full-length statues of all the Presidents.

Mr. Gorman, from the Committee on Military Affairs, to which was referred the bill of the Senate (No. 573) entitled "An act for the relief of John Charles Fremont, late lieutenant-colonel in the army of the United States," with authority to report at any time, reported the same with an amendment.

And the question being put, Will the House agree to the said amendment?

It was decided in the affirmative.

The question then recurring on the third reading of the bill,

After debate,

Mr. Albert G. Brown moved to amend the bill by striking out all after the enacting clause, and inserting, in lieu thereof, the following:

"That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized to pay John Charles Fremont nineteen thousand five hundred dollars, and deduct the same from the amount that may be found due the said Fremont on the final settlement of his accounts."

After further debate,

Mr. Orr moved to amend the said amendment by adding thereto the following, viz:

"*Provided*, That nothing herein contained shall be construed so as to require the Secretary of War to recognise the validity of the claims of the said Fremont upon which actions are pending, or judgments may have been obtained, in favor of Antony Gibbs & Son, assignees of Huttman, in the courts of her Majesty the Queen of Great Britain."

Pending which,

Mr. Orr moved that the bill and pending amendments be committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union;

Pending which,

Mr. Cartter moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Shall the bill and amendments be committed?

And it was decided in the negative.

Under the further operation of the previous question, the said amendment to the amendment was agreed to.

Pending the question on agreeing to the amendment as amended,

Mr. Polk moved, at 3 o'clock and 40 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurred on agreeing to the said amendment as amended;

And being put, it was decided in the affirmative.

Under the further operation of the previous question, the bill was ordered to be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the said amendment.

Mr. Gorman moved that the vote by which the said bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Wildrick, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined bills of the following titles, and found the same truly enrolled, viz:

H. R. 161. An act to provide for the payment of the companies of Captains Bush, Price, and Suarez for military services in Florida;

H. R. 356. An act for the relief of Captain George P. Smith;

H. R. 355. An act to change the name of the steamboat "Forest City;"

H. R. 347. An act granting the right of way to the St. Louis and Iron Mountain Railroad Company, and for other purposes;

H. R. 224. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to create the office of surveyor general of the public lands in Oregon, and to provide for the survey, and to make donations to the settlers of the public lands," approved September 27, 1850;

When the Speaker signed the same.

On motion of Mr. Clingman,

Ordered, That when the House adjourns, it adjourn until Monday next at 12 o'clock m.

And then,

On motion of Mr. Gorman,

At 3 o'clock and 45 minutes p. m. the House adjourned.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1853.

The following petitions were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Bragg: The petition of William C. White, praying for relief on account of his purchase of a tract of land from a Creek Indian.

By Mr. Thurston: The petition of David Melville, praying for bounty land.

By Mr. Doty: The petition of Lewis Rouse, praying for a confirmation of his title to certain lots in Green Bay, in the State of Wisconsin.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Private Land Claims.

By Mr. Bayly: The petition of citizens of the State of Virginia, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Kilmarnock to White Stone, in Lancaster county, in said State.

By Mr. Gaylord: The petition of citizens of the State of Ohio, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Newark to Portsmouth, in said State.

By Mr. Ross: The petition of citizens of the State of Pennsylvania, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Norristown to Foglesville, in said State.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Burrows: The petition of citizens of the State of New York, praying for a grant of public land to aid in the construction of a ship-canal around the Falls of Niagara; which was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Goodrich: The petition of Robert Nesbit, praying compensation for the delivery of a quantity of hay at Santa Fe, in the Terri-

tory of New Mexico, under contract; which was referred to the Committee of Claims.

By Mr. Origen S. Seymour: The petition of citizens of the State of New York, praying that measures be taken to secure to American citizens the liberty of conscience in religious matters in all nations of the earth; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. Sabine: The petition of the clerks in the Patent Office, praying for a continuance of the additional compensation provided in an act of last session of Congress.

By Mr. Ingersoll: The petition of citizens of the State of Connecticut, praying for the repeal of the duty on iron.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

By Mr. Sibley: The petition of citizens of Minnesota, praying for the establishment of a military post at St. Joseph, for the protection of the inhabitants against attacks of the Sioux Indians, and to prevent the frequent excursions of the hunters of the British Hudson Bay Company into our country in defiance of existing laws; also, praying for the extinguishment of the Indian title to the lands of the Red River valley of the North; which was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. Origen S. Seymour: The petition of citizens of the State of New York, praying for the passage of the free warehousing bill; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. Bowie: The petition of Charles Wilkes, William P. Elliot, and others, citizens of and property owners in Washington, praying for indemnity for damages by them sustained on account of excavation authorized by the Commissioner of Public Buildings and Grounds; which was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

Mr. Houston, by unanimous consent, submitted the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That, until otherwise ordered, the daily hour of meeting of the House of Representatives shall be 11 o'clock a. m.; and the resolution to hold night sessions is hereby rescinded;

Pending which,

Mr. David L. Seymour moved to amend the same by striking out "11 o'clock," and inserting "10 o'clock" in lieu thereof;

Pending which,

Mr. Houston moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Will the House agree to the said amendment?

And it was decided in the negative.

Under the further operation of the previous question, the said resolution was agreed to.

Mr. John G. Davis moved that the rules be suspended so as to enable the Committee on Public Lands to report back to the House the bill of the House (No. 340) "for the adjustment of sales and locations conflicting with swamp-land locations;"

Pending which,

Mr. Stanly made the point of order, that the bill of the Senate (No. 397) entitled "An act for the relief of Rosanna Sowards," was the business first in order—that bill having been taken from the Speaker's

table on Monday last, under a suspension of the rules, and being the pending business when the House adjourned on that day.

The Speaker decided that the motion to suspend the rules, having been submitted by the gentleman from Indiana, (Mr. Davis,) must be first considered. If no other business was now before the House, it would be competent for any member to call up the said bill (No. 397)—not because it was taken up under a suspension of the rules, but on account of the pendency of a motion to reconsider the vote by which it was read a second time.

From this decision of the Chair, Mr. Stanly appealed.

And the question being put, Shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the House?

It was decided in the affirmative.

So the decision of the Chair was sustained.

The question was then put on the motion of Mr. John G. Davis to suspend the rules, and it was decided in the affirmative—two-thirds voting in favor thereof.

And thereupon,

Mr. Hall, from the Committee on Public Lands, reported the said bill, H. R. 340, with sundry amendments.

Pending the question on agreeing to the said amendments,

Mr. Hall moved that the bill and pending amendments be recommitted to the Committee on Public Lands.

After debate,

Mr. John G. Davis moved the previous question; and the House refused to second the same.

Pending the question on the motion to recommit,

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed bills and a joint resolution of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 22. A joint resolution for the relief of John P. Converse, of Ohio;

H. R. 361. A bill for the relief of John Millar;

H. R. 146. An act to regulate the fees and costs to be allowed clerks, marshals, and attorneys of the circuit and district courts of the United States, and for other purposes;

the two former without amendment, and the latter with amendments; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The Senate have passed a resolution of the following title, viz:

S. 76. A resolution explanatory of the act for the benefit of Amos Proctor, approved the 17th of June, 1844; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The President of the United States has notified the Senate that he did, on the 11th instant, approve and sign bills of the following titles:

S. 97. An act to make the salary of the judge of the criminal court of the District of Columbia equal to that of an assistant judge of the circuit court of said District;

S. 360. An act for the relief of the widow of the late John A. Lynch;

S. 510. An act for the relief of Asenath M. Elliot;

S. 584. An act authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue a register to the British bark Fanny, under the name of Golden Mirror.

Mr. Henn, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined bills of the following titles, and found the same truly enrolled viz :

H. R. 361. An act for the relief of John Millar ;

S. 421. An act for the relief of John Williams ;

S. 316. An act for the benefit of the town of Bellevue and the cities of Burlington and Du Buque, in the State of Iowa ; when

The Speaker signed the same.

After further debate upon the bill of the House No. 340, the pending question being on the motion of Mr. Hall to recommit the same to the Committee on Public Lands,

Mr. Cleveland moved that the bill and pending amendments be laid on the table.

And the question being put on the latter motion,

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 116
Nays..... 50

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. William Aiken
Charles Allen
John Allison
William Appleton
Thomas H. Averett
Thomas H. Bayly
Nelson Barrere
Thomas Bartlett, jr
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibbhaas
Thomas S. Bocock
Richard I. Bowie
Obadiah Bowne
John H. Boyd
John Bragg
George Briggs
James Brooks
George H. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
John S. Caskie
William M. Churchwell
Chauncey F. Cleveland
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
William F. Colcock
Carlton B. Curtis
George T. Davis
John L. Dawson
Milo M. Dimmick
Alfred Dockery
Alexander Evans
Francis B. Fay
Thomas B. Florence
John G. Floyd
Henry M. Fuller
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James M. Gaylord
Joshua R. Giddings
Robert Goodenow

Mr. John Z. Goodrich
Ben. Edwards Grey
Galusha A. Grow
Alexander Harper
Isaham G. Harris
Emanuel B. Hart
John H. H. Haws
Augustus P. Hascall
Solomon G. Haven
William Hebard
Harry Hibbard
Alexander R. Holladay
Jerediah Horsford
George S. Houston
John W. Howe
Colin M. Ingersoll
Willard Ives
Joseph W. Jackson
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
James Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George W. Jones
J. Glancy Jones
George G. King
Preston King
William H. Kurtz
John Letcher
Edward P. Little
Horace Mann
James X. McLanahan
Fayette McMullen
John McNair
John McQueen
Richard K. Meade
John S. Millson
Henry D. Moore
James T. Morehead
William Murray

Mr. Eben Newton
James L. Orr
David Outlaw
Charles H. Peaslee
Jared Perkins
Paulus Powell
William Preston
Rodman M. Price
Isaac Reed
Reuben Robie
Thomas Ross
Joseph Russell
Lorenzo Sabine
William A. Sackett
John H. Savage
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
John L. Schoolcraft
Origen S. Seymour
Charles Skelton
Edward Stanly
Richard H. Stanton
Abr'm P. Stephens
Alexander H. Stephens
Thaddeus Stevens
James W. Stone
Nathan T. Stratton
Josiah Sutherland
Benjamin B. Thurston
Robert Toombs
Abraham W. Venable
Henry S. Walbridge
William T. Ward
Israel Washburn, jr
Albert G. Watkins
John Welch
John Wells
Isaac Wildrick
Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Willis Allen
Hiram Bell

Mr. Samuel Brenton
Albert G. Brown

Mr. E. Carrington Cabell
Joseph Cable

Mr. Lewis D. Campbell
James L. Conger
John F. Darby
John G. Davis
David T. Disney
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Cyrus L. Dunham
Charles Durkee
Ben. C. Eastman
Alfred P. Edgerton
Orlando B. Ficklin
Graham N. Fitch
John D. Freeman
Frederick W. Green

Mr. Thomas A. Hendricks
Bernhart Henn
John Johnson
Robert W. Johnson
J. Aristide Landry
James Lockhart
John G. Miller
Richard S. Molony
John Moore
Benjamin D. Nabers
Edson B. Olds
Samuel W. Parker
Alexander G. Penn
Ebenezer J. Penniman
John S. Phelps

Mr. Gilchrist Porter
John L. Robinson
Richardson Scurry
David L. Seymour
William R. Smith
Benjamin Stanton
Louis St. Martin
Charles E. Stuart
Charles Sweetser
Norton S. Townshend
Thomas Y. Walsh
John A. Wilcox
Christopher H. Williams
Richard Yates

So the bill and pending amendments were laid on the table.

Mr. Orr moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table;

Pending the question on the latter motion,

Mr. Ficklin moved, at 3 o'clock and 7 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question again recurring on the motion of Mr. Orr, the yeas and nays were ordered thereon;

Pending which,

Mr. St. Martin moved, at 3 o'clock and 10 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question again recurred on the motion of Mr. Orr;

And being put,

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 115
Nays..... 54

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
John Allison
William Appleton
David J. Bailey
Thomas H. Bayly
Nelson Barrere
Thomas Bartlett, jr.
James M. H. Beale
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibighaus
Thomas S. Bocock
Richard I. Bowie
Obadiah Bowne
John H. Boyd
John Bragg
George Briggs
James Brooks
Lorenzo Burrows
John S. Caskie
William M. Churchwell
Lincoln Clark
Chauncey F. Cleveland
Williamson R. W. Cobb
William F. Colcock
William Cullom
Carlton B. Curtis
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean

Mr. Milo M. Dimmick
Alfred Dockery
Alexander Evans
Francis B. Fay
Thomas B. Florence
John G. Floyd
Henry M. Fuller
Thomas J. D. Fuller
Joshua R. Giddings
Alfred Gilmore
Robert Goodenow
Ben. Edwards Grey
Galusha A. Grow
Alexander Harper
Isham G. Harris
Emanuel B. Hart
John H. H. Haws
Augustus P. Hascall
Solomon G. Haven
William Hebard
Harry Hibbard
Alexander R. Holladay
Jerediah Horsford
George S. Houston
John W. Howe
Thomas M. Howe
Colin M. Ingersoll
Willard Ives

Mr. Joseph W. Jackson
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
James Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George W. Jones
J. Glancy Jones
George G. King
Preston King
William H. Kurtz
John Letcher
Edward P. Little
Horace Mann
Frederick S. Martin
James X. McLanahan
Fayette McMullen
John McNair
John McQueen
Richard K. Meade
John S. Millson
James T. Morehead
William Murray
Eben Newton
James L. Orr
David Outlaw
Charles H. Peaslee
Jared Perkins
Paulus Powell

Mr. William Preston
 Rodman M. Price
 Isaac Reed
 Reuben Robie
 Thomas Ross
 Lorenzo Sabine
 William A. Sackett
 John H. Savage
 Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
 John L. Schoolcraft
 Marius Schoonmaker

Mr. David L. Seymour
 Origen S. Seymour
 Charles Skelton
 Edward Stanly
 Abr'm P. Stephens
 Alexander H. Stephens
 Thaddeus Stevens
 James W. Stone
 Nathan T. Stratton
 John L. Taylor

Mr. Benjamin B. Thurston
 Robert Toombs
 Abraham W. Venable
 Henry S. Walbridge
 Israel Washburn, jr
 Albert G. Watkins
 John Welch
 John Wells
 Isaac Wildrick
 Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Willis Allen
 Hiram Bell
 Samuel Brenton
 Albert G. Brown
 E. Carrington Cabell
 Joseph Cable
 Lewis D. Campbell
 James L. Conger
 John F. Darby
 John G. Davis
 David T. Disney
 James Duane Doty
 James H. Duncan
 Cyrus L. Dunham
 Charles Durkee
 Ben. C. Eastman
 Alfred P. Edgerton
 Orlando B. Ficklin

Mr. Graham N. Fitch
 John D. Freeman
 James M. Gaylord
 Frederick W. Green
 Willard P. Hall
 Thomas A. Hendricks
 Bernhart Henn
 Thomas Y. How, jr.
 John Johnson
 Robert W. Johnson
 J. Aristide Landry
 John G. Miller
 Richard S. Molony
 John Moore
 Benjamin D. Nabers
 Samuel W. Parker
 Alexander G. Penn
 Ebenezer J. Penniman

Mr. John S. Phelps
 Gilchrist Porter
 William A. Richardson
 John L. Robinson
 Richardson Scurry
 William R. Smith
 Benjamin Stanton
 Louis St. Martin
 Charles E. Stuart
 Josiah Sutherland
 Charles Sweetser
 Norton S. Townshend
 Thomas Y. Walsh
 William T. Ward
 Alexander White
 John A. Wilcox
 Christopher H. Williams
 Richard Yates.

So the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Mr. Henn, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee did, on this day, present to the President of the United States bills of the following titles, viz:

S. 316. An act for the benefit of the town of Belleview and the cities of Burlington and Du Buque, in the State of Iowa;

S. 421. An act for the relief of John Williams;

H. R. 361. An act for the relief of John Millar;

S. 603. An act authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue a register to the American-built steamship Albatross;

H. R. 347. An act granting the right of way to the St. Louis and Iron Mountain Railroad Company, and for other purposes;

H. R. 355. An act to change the name of the steamboat "Forest City;"

H. R. 356. An act for the relief of Captain George P. Smith;

H. R. 161. An act to provide for the payment of the companies of Captains Bush, Price, and Suarez for military services in Florida;

H. R. 224. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to create the office of surveyor general of the public lands in Oregon, and to provide for the survey, and to make donations to the settlers of the said public lands," approved September 27, 1850.

On motion of Mr. Stanly, by unanimous consent, the bill of the Senate (No. 513) entitled "An act for the relief of Joseph Morehead," was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Polk having called up the motion, heretofore submitted, to reconsider the vote by which the bill of the Senate (No. 397) entitled "An act for the relief of Rosanna Sowards," was ordered to be read a second time.

The question was put, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The question again recurring on the second reading of the bill, it was ordered to be read a second time.

Having been read a second time, it was ordered to be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Bocock moved that the rules be suspended so as to enable him to move that the bill of the Senate (No. 574) entitled "An act to organize the navy of the United States," be taken from the Speaker's table;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Jenkins,

At 3 o'clock and 35 minutes p. m. the House adjourned until tomorrow at 11 o'clock a. m.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1853.

Before the reading of the journal, no quorum being present,

On motion of Mr. Robie,

Ordered, That there be a call of the House.

The roll being called, the following named members failed to answer to their names, viz :

Messrs. James Abercrombie, Charles Allen, Willis Allen, William S. Ashe, Thomas H. Averett, Leander Babcock, David J. Bailey, Thomas H. Bayly, William H. Bissell, John C. Breckinridge, Samuel Brenton, Albert G. Brown, George H. Brown, Armistead Burt, George H. Busby, E. Carrington Cabell, Joseph R. Chandler, Charles Chapman, William M. Churchwell, Sherrard Clemens, Chauncey F. Cleveland, William F. Colcock, James L. Conger, Joseph S. Cottman, William Cullom, Carlton B. Curtis, John R. J. Daniel, Gilbert Dean, David T. Disney, Charles Durkee, Alexander Evans, Presley Ewing, Charles J. Faulkner, Orlando B. Ficklin, Graham N. Fitch, Thomas B. Florence, Henry M. Fuller, James Gamble, Alfred Gilmore, John Z. Goodrich, Ben. Edwards Grey, Galusha A. Grow, William T. Hamilton, Edward Hammond, John H. H. Haws, Augustus P. Hascall, William Hebard, Thomas A. Hendricks, Bernhart Henn, Junius Hillyer, Volney E. Howard, Thomas Y. How, jr., William F. Hunter, Willard Ives, Joseph W. Jackson, James Johnson, Daniel T. Jones, Joseph H. Kuhns, James Lockhart, Horace Mann, Edward C. Marshall, Joseph W. McCorkle, Moses McDonald, Fayette McMullen, Ahiman L. Miner, John A. Morrison, Edson B. Olds, Alexander G. Penn, William H. Polk, William Preston, Rodman M. Price, William A. Richardson, George Read Riddle, Thomas Ross, Joseph Russell, William A. Sackett, John H. Savage, John L. Schoolcraft, Marius Schoonmaker, Zeno Scudder, Ephraim K. Smart, William R. Smith, William W. Snow, Benjamin Stanton, Frederick P. Stanton, Alexander H. Stephens, Thaddeus Stevens, Nathan T. Stratton, James F. Strother, Charles E. Stuart, Josiah Sutherland, Charles Sweetser, Amos Tuck, Henry S. Walbridge,

Daniel Wallace, William T. Ward, Israel Washburn, jr., Alexander White, John A. Wilcox, Isaac Wildrick, Richard Yates.

When,

On motion of Mr. Stanly, all further proceedings in the call were dispensed with.

The journal was then read.

The House resumed, as the business first in order, the consideration of the bill of the Senate (No. 271) entitled "An act amendatory of existing laws relative to the half-dollar, quarter-dollar, dime, and half-dime"—heretofore reported from the Committee of Ways and Means with sundry amendments; the pending question being on the motion of Mr. Dunham to commit the same to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

After debate,

Mr. Skelton moved the previous question;

Pending which,

Mr. Freeman moved that the bill and pending amendments be laid on the table.

And the question being put on the latter motion,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas.....	54
{ Nays.....	109

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. William Aiken
James M. H. Beale
John Bragg
Albert G. Brown
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
Joseph P. Caldwell
Thompson Campbell
Elijah W. Chastain
William F. Colcock
William Cullom
Alfred Dockery
James Duane Doty
Ben. C. Eastman
Alfred P. Edgerton
John G. Floyd
John D. Freeman
Thomas J. D. Fuller

Mr. James M. Gaylord
Joshua R. Giddings
Frederick W. Green
Galusha A. Grow
Isham G. Harris
Solomon G. Haven
Junius Hillyer
Andrew Johnson
James Johnson
George W. Jones
J. Aristide Landry
John C. Mason
Joseph W. McCorkle
James K. McLanahan
John McNair
John McQueen
James Meacham
John Moore

Mr. James T. Morehead
Charles Murphy
Benjamin D. Nabers
Eben Newton
James L. Orr
David Outlaw
Andrew Parker
John S. Phelps
Richardson Scurry
Origen S. Seymour
William R. Smith
Alexander H. Stephens
Louis St. Martin
Daniel Wallace
Albert G. Watkins
Addison White
Alexander White
Christopher H. Williams

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. John Allison
William Appleton
Thomas H. Bayly
Nelson Barrere
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibbigaus
Thomas S. Bocock
Richard I. Bowie
Obadiah Bowne
John H. Boyd
John C. Breckinridge
George Briggs
James Brooks
George H. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
Lewis D. Campbell

Mr. David K. Cartter
John S. Caskie
Sherrard Clemens
Chauncey F. Cleveland
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick
James H. Duncan
Cyrus L. Dunham
Henry A. Edmundson
Francis B. Fay

Mr. Orlando B. Ficklin
Graham N. Fitch
Thomas B. Florence
Meredith P. Gentry
Robert Goodenow
John Z. Goodrich
Willis A. Gorman
Ben. Edwards Grey
Willard P. Hall
Alexander Harper
Sampson W. Harris
Emanuel B. Hart
John H. H. Haws
William Hebard
Thomas A. Hendricks
Harry Hibbard

Mr. Alexander R. Holladay	Mr. Richard K. Meade	Mr. Marius Schoonmaker
Jerediah Horsford	John G. Miller	Charles Skelton
George S. Houston	John S. Millson	Edward Stanly
Thomas M. Howe	Richard S. Molony	Benjamin Stanton
Thomas Y. How, jr.	Henry D. Moore	Abr'm P. Stephens
William F. Hunter	John A. Morrison	James W. Stone
Colin M. Ingersoll	William Murray	Nathan T. Stratton
Willard Ives	Samuel W. Parker	Josiah Sutherland
Joseph W. Jackson	Charles H. Peaselee	Charles Sweetser
John Johnson	Ebenezer J. Penniman	Benjamin B. Thurston
J. Glancy Jones	Jared Perkins	Robert Toombs
George G. King	Gilchrist Porter	Abraham W. Venable
Preston King	Paulus Powell	Henry S. Walbridge
Joseph H. Kuhns	Isaac Reed	Thomas Y. Walsh
William H. Kurtz	William A. Richardson	Israel Washburn, jr.
John Letcher	John Robbins, jr.	John Welch
Edward P. Little	Reuben Robie	John Wells
James Lockhart	Lorenzo Sabine	John A. Wilcox
Daniel Mace	Abr'm M. Schermerhorn	Isaac Wildrick
Horace Mann	John L. Schoolcraft	Joseph A. Woodward.
Fayette McMullen		

So the House refused to lay the bill and amendments upon the table. The question then recurring on the demand for the previous question, it was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put.

The question being first put, Shall the bill and amendments be committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union?

It was decided in the negative.

Under the further operation of the previous question, all of the amendments reported from the Committee of Ways and Means were severally disagreed to.

Under the further operation of the previous question, the bill was ordered to be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time.

The question then being on its passage,

Mr. Dunham moved the previous question.

Pending which,

Mr. Hart moved that the bill be laid on the table.

And the question being put on the latter motion,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas 65
Nays 111

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. William Aiken	Mr. James Duane Doty	Mr. Andrew Johnson
James M. H. Beale	Ben. C. Eastman	James Johnson
John Bragg	Alfred P. Edgerton	Daniel T. Jones
George Briggs	John G. Floyd	George W. Jones
James Brooks	John D. Freeman	J. Aristide Landry
Albert G. Brown	Thomas J. D. Fuller	Joseph W. McCorkle
George H. Busby	James M. Gaylord	John McNair
Joseph Cable	Joshua R. Giddings	John McQueen
Joseph P. Caldwell	Frederick W. Green	John S. Millson
Thompson Campbell	Galusha A. Grow	Richard S. Molony
Elijah W. Chaastain	Isham G. Harris	John Moore
William M. Churchwell	Emanuel B. Hart	James T. Morehead
William F. Colcock	Solomon G. Haven	Charles Murphy
James L. Conger	Junius Hillyer	Eben Newton
William Cullom	Volney E. Howard	James L. Orr
Alfred Deckery	Timothy Jenkins	David Outlaw

Mr. Andrew Parker
John S. Phelps
Paulus Powell
Thomas Ross
Joseph Russell
William A. Sackett

Mr. Richardson Scurry
Origen S. Seymour
William R. Smith
Alexander H. Stephens
Louis St. Martin
Josiah Sutherland

Mr. Norton S. Townshend
Daniel Wallace
Albert G. Watkins
Addison White
Christopher H. Williams.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
John Allison
William Appleton
William S. Ashe
Thomas H. Averett
Nelson Barrere
Hiram Bell
Thomas M. Bibighaus
Thomas S. Bocoock
Richard I. Bowie
Obadiah Bowne
John H. Boyd
John C. Breckinridge
George H. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
Lewis D. Campbell
David K. Cartter
John S. Caskie
Lincoln Clark
Chauncey F. Cleveland
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
Joseph S. Cottman
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick
David T. Disney
James H. Duncan
Cyrus L. Dunham
Charles Durkee
Henry A. Edmundson
Charles J. Faulkner
Francis B. Fay
Orlando B. Ficklin

Mr. Thomas B. Florence
Henry M. Fuller
James Gamble
Meredith P. Gentry
Robert Goodenow
John Z. Goodrich
Willis A. Gorman
Willard P. Hall
Edward Hammond
Alexander Harper
Sampson W. Harris
John H. H. Haws
William Hebard
Thomas A. Hendricks
Harry Hibbard
Alexander R. Holladay
Jerediah Horsford
George S. Houston
John W. Howe
Thomas M. Howe
Thomas Y. How, jr.
William F. Hunter
Colin M. Ingersoll
Willard Ives
Joseph W. Jackson
Robert W. Johnson
J. Glancy Jones
George G. King
Preston King
Joseph H. Kuhns
William H. Kurtz
John Letcher
Edward P. Little
Daniel Mace
Horace Mann
John C. Mason
Fayette McMullen

Mr. Richard K. Meade
John G. Miller
Henry D. Moore
John A. Morrison
William Murray
Samuel W. Parker
Alexander G. Penn
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Jared Perkins
Gilchrist Porter
Isaac Reed
John Robbins, jr.
Reuben Robie
John L. Robinson
Lorenzo Sabine
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
John L. Schoolcraft
Marius Schoonmaker
David L. Seymour
Charles Skelton
William W. Snow
Edward Stanly
Benjamin Stanton
Nathan T. Stratton
Charles Sweetser
John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston
Robert Toombs
Amos Tuck
Abraham W. Venable
Henry S. Walbridge
Thomas Y. Walsh
John Wells
John A. Wilcox
Isaac Wildrick
Joseph A. Woodward
Richard Yates.

So the House refused to lay the bill on the table.

The question then recurring on the demand for the previous question,

Mr. Dunham withdrew the same,

The question then recurring on the passage of the bill,

Mr. Dunham moved that it be recommitted to the Committee of Ways and Means; and also renewed the demand for the previous question, which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put; and, under the operation thereof, the said motion to recommit was disagreed to.

Under the further operation of the previous question, the bill was passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Dunham moved that the vote by which the said bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

The following petitions and resolutions were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Meacham: The petition of citizens of the State of Vermont, praying for the establishment of certain mail-routes in said State.

By Mr. Andrew Parker: The petition of citizens of the State of Pennsylvania, praying for a modification of the first and eleventh sections of the act of Congress, approved March 3, 1825, establishing and regulating the Post Office Department.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Mason: The petition of Elizabeth McCann, widow of Patrick McCann, praying for a pension.

By Mr. Addison White: The petition of William Willson, a soldier of the revolution, praying for a pension.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions.

By Mr. Hebard: The resolutions of the legislature of the State of Vermont, praying for the passage of the bill granting lands to the States for railroad purposes.

By Mr. Mason: The petition of Carter H. Jacobs, heir and legal representative of Roley Jacobs, praying for relief.

Ordered, That said resolutions and petition be referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Hebard: The concurrent resolutions of the legislature of the State of Vermont, relative to settling national disputes by arbitration.

By Mr. Duncan: Three petitions of citizens of the State of Massachusetts, praying that measures be taken to secure to American citizens the right of conscience in religious matters in all nations of the earth.

Ordered, That said petitions and resolutions be referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. Stanly: The petition of citizens of the State of North Carolina, praying that buoys be placed in Pamlico sound, in said State; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. Haws: The petition of Robert W. Jenks, of the city of New York, praying a subscription by the government, for the public service in the navy, to the book called the "Brachial Telegraph;" which was referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a bill of the following title, viz:

S. 624. An act to prevent, in certain cases, a failure or delay of justice in the courts of the District of Columbia; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Preston King, by unanimous consent, the said bill (S. 624) was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That it be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Preston King having called up the motion, heretofore submitted by him, to reconsider the vote by which the bill of the House (No. 326) "to prevent frauds upon the treasury of the United States," with the amendments of the Senate thereto, was referred to the select committee appointed to investigate the connexion of the honorable Thomas Corwin with the Gardiner claim—

The question was put, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The motion to refer having been withdrawn,

The question recurred on agreeing to the amendments of the Senate to the said bill.

Mr. Preston King moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put; and, under the operation thereof, the *first* and *fourth* of the said amendments were disagreed to, and the remaining amendments agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Houston, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Orr reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly bills of the House of the following titles, viz: H. R. 350. "A bill making appropriations for the service of the Post Office Department during the fiscal year ending the 30th of June, 1854," and H. R. 337. "A bill making appropriation for the civil and diplomatic expenses of government for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854," had directed him to report the former without amendment, and that the committee had come to no resolution on the latter.

The Speaker stated the question to be upon the engrossment of the said bill H. R. 350;

Pending which,

Mr. Houston moved that it be recommitted to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and also moved the previous question thereon;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Stanly,

At 3 o'clock and 40 minutes p. m. the House adjourned until to-morrow at 11 o'clock a. m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1853.

Before the reading of the journal, no quorum being present,

Mr. Richardson moved that there be a call of the House.

And the question being put,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 22
Nays..... 90

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. William Appleton
Joseph Cable
Joseph P. Caldwell
Lincoln Clark
John G. Davis

Mr. Gilbert Dean
James Duane Doty
Ben. C. Eastman
Frederick W. Green
Solomon G. Haven

Mr. Harry Hibbard
John W. Howe
William F. Hunter
Timothy Jenkins
Joseph H. Kuhns

Mr. John McNair
John S. Millson
James T. Morehead

Mr. William A. Richardson
Charles Skelton

Mr. William R. Smith
Alexander H. Stephens

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
William S. Ashe
Hiram Bell
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibbhauss
Samuel Brenton
George Briggs
Lorenzo Burrows
Elijah W. Chastain
Chauncey F. Cleveland
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
James L. Couger
Joseph S. Cottman
John R. J. Daniel
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
John L. Dawson
Milo M. Dimmick
Alfred Dockery
James H. Duncan
Francis B. Fay
Graham N. Fitch
John G. Floyd
Joshua R. Giddings
Robert Goodenow
John Z. Goodrich
Galusha A. Grow
Willard P. Hall
Alexander Harper

Mr. Sampson W. Harris
Emanuel B. Hart
Augustus P. Hascall
William Hebard
Thomas A. Hendricks
Bernhart Henn
Junius Hillyer
Alexander R. Holladay
George S. Houston
Thomas M. Howe
Thomas Y. How, jr.
Collin M. Ingersoll
Willard Ives
George W. Jones
George G. King
Preston King
William H. Kurtz
Edward P. Little
James Lockhart
James Meacham
John G. Miller
Richard S. Molony
Henry D. Moore
John Moore
Charles Murphy
William Murray
Eben Newton
Edson B. Olds
James L. Orr
Andrew Parker

Mr. Samuel W. Parker
Charles H. Peaslee
Alexander G. Penn
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Isaac Reed
George Read Riddle
John Robbins, jr.
John L. Robinson
Marius Schoonmaker
Richardson Scurry
David L. Seymour
Origen S. Seymour
Benjamin Stanton
Richard H. Stanton
Abr'm P. Stephens
James W. Stone
Nathan T. Stratton
Charles E. Stuart
Josiah Sutherland
Charles Sweetser
John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston
Robert Toombs
Norton S. Townshend
Thomas Y. Walsh
Albert G. Watkins
John Wells
Alexander White
Isaac Wildrick
Christopher H. Williams.

So the House refused a call.

The Speaker having ascertained that a quorum was now present, the journal was read.

The following petitions, memorials, and other papers were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. John Appleton: The petition of citizens of the State of Maine, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from the depot of the Atlantic and St. Lawrence railroad, in Oxford, to Naples, in Cumberland county, in said State.

By Mr. Kuhns: The petition of citizens of the State of Pennsylvania, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Cumberland, in the State of Maryland, to Robinsonville, in the State of Pennsylvania.

By Mr. Edgerton: The petition of citizens of the State of Ohio, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Eagle to Hancock, in said State.

By Mr. Gaylord: The petition of citizens of the State of Ohio, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Newark, in Perry county, to Portsmouth, in Scioto county, in said State.

By Mr. Thaddeus Stevens: The petition of citizens of the State of Pennsylvania, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Safe harbor to Mastic Forge, in Lancaster county, in said State.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Thaddeus Stevens: The petition of citizens of the State of

Pennsylvania, praying for a modification of the bounty land law of 1850; which was referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions.

By Mr. Gaylord: The petition of William M. S. Riley, an invalid of the late war with Mexico, praying for a pension.

By Mr. Kuhns: The petition of John J. Houseman, an invalid of the war of 1812, praying for a pension;

Also, the petition of Edward Gilchreist, an invalid of the war of 1812, praying for a pension.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. Holladay: The petition of Philip Lightfoot, heir and legal representative of Lieutenant Philip Lightfoot, of the Virginia continental line, praying for commutation pay; which was referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Claims.

By Mr. Molony: The memorial of a committee of an industrial convention held in the State of Illinois, praying for a grant of land to each State for the endowment of an industrial university therein; which was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Penniman: The concurrent resolutions of the legislature of the State of Michigan, praying for the passage of the homestead bill; which were laid on the table.

By Mr. Cable: The petition of citizens of Steubenville, in the State of Ohio, praying for the repeal of the "fugitive" law; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Origen S. Seymour: Two petitions of citizens of the State of New York, praying that measures be taken to secure to American citizens the freedom of conscience to religious worship in all nations of the world; which were referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. Giddings: The petition of the heirs of J. B. Beaugrand—heretofore presented January 10, 1848; which was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. Molony: The petition of citizens of Chicago, in the State of Illinois, remonstrating against the Illinois Central Railroad Company removing any of the government piers in the harbor of said city.

By Mr. Walsh: Two petitions of steamboat owners, &c., of Baltimore, in the State of Maryland, praying for a modification of the steamboat law of last session of Congress.

By Mr. Origen S. Seymour: The petition of citizens of the State of New York, praying for the erection of beacon-lights on Staten Island, in the port of New York city.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. Frederick P. Stanton: The resolutions of a public meeting of the citizens of Memphis, in the State of Tennessee, on the subject of the Pacific railroad; which were referred to the Committee on Roads and Canals.

The Speaker then announced as the business first in order the bill of the House (No. 350) "making appropriations for the service of the Post Office Department during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1854"—reported on yesterday from the Committee of the Whole House on the

state of the Union; the pending question being on the motion to recommit the same, and upon which the previous question was demanded.

Mr. Houston withdrew his said demand for the previous question, and also the motion to recommit.

The question then recurring on the engrossment and third reading of the bill,

Mr. Houston moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Shall the said bill be engrossed and read a third time?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the said bill.

Mr. Houston moved that the vote by which the said bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Grow, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That leave be granted for the withdrawal, from the files of the House, of the papers in the case of William White, for the purpose of reference to one of the executive departments.

The said papers were thereupon handed to Mr. Grow.

The Speaker having announced as the business next in order the bill of the House (No. 360) "establishing reciprocal trade with the British North American colonies upon certain conditions"—heretofore reported from the Committee on Commerce—the pending question being on the motion of Mr. George W. Jones to commit the same to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union,

On motion of Mr. David L. Seymour,

Ordered, That its further consideration be postponed until to-morrow.

Mr. George W. Jones submitted the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That all debate in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union on the bill of the House (No. 337) "making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of the government for the year ending June 30, 1854," shall cease in one hour after its consideration is resumed, (if the committee shall not sooner come to a conclusion upon the same;) and the committee shall then proceed to vote on such amendments as may be pending or offered to the same, and shall then report it to the House with such amendments as may have been agreed to by the committee;

Pending which,

Mr. George W. Jones moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Will the House agree to the said resolution?

And it was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 100
Nays..... 73

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. William Aiken
John Allison
John Appleton
William Appleton

Mr. William S. Ashe
Thomas M. Bibighaus
John Bragg
John C. Breckinridge

Mr. George Briggs
James Brooks
Albert G. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows

Mr. Joseph P. Caldwell
 David K. Cartter
 John S. Caskie
 Elijah W. Chastain
 William M. Churchwell
 Lincoln Clark
 Thomas L. Clingman
 Williamson R. W. Cobb
 William F. Colcock
 William Cullom
 John R. J. Daniel
 John G. Davis
 John L. Dawson
 Milo M. Dimmick
 James H. Duncan
 Cyrus L. Dunham
 Alfred P. Edgerton
 Henry A. Edmundson
 Orlando B. Ficklin
 Graham N. Fitch
 John D. Freeman
 Thomas J. D. Fuller
 James M. Gaylord
 Frederick W. Green
 Galusha A. Grow
 Willard P. Hall
 Isham G. Harris
 Sampson W. Harris
 Emanuel B. Hart
 Augustus P. Hascall

Mr. Thomas A. Hendricks
 Bernhart Henn
 Harry Hibbard
 Alexander R. Holladay
 Jerediah Horsford
 George S. Houston
 Colin M. Ingersoll
 Willard Ives
 Daniel T. Jones
 George W. Jones
 J. Glancy Jones
 Preston King
 William H. Kurtz
 John Letcher
 James Lockhart
 Daniel Mace
 Frederick S. Martin
 John C. Mason
 Joseph W. McCorkle
 Moses McDonald
 John McNair
 John McQueen
 John S. Millson
 John A. Morrison
 Charles Murphy
 William Murray
 Benjamin D. Nabers
 Edson B. Olds
 James L. Orr

Mr. Andrew Parker
 Charles H. Peaslee
 Alexander G. Penn
 Ebenezer J. Penniman
 Jared Perkins
 John S. Phelps
 Paulus Powell
 Rodman M. Price
 Isaac Reed
 William A. Richardson
 John Robbins, jr.
 Reuben Robie
 John L. Robinson
 Thomas Ross
 John L. Schoolcraft
 Richardson Scurry
 David L. Seymour
 Origen S. Seymour
 Charles Skelton
 William R. Smith
 Frederick P. Stanton
 James W. Stone
 Nathan T. Stratton
 Charles E. Stuart
 Benjamin B. Thurston
 Norton S. Townshend
 Addison White
 Isaac Wildrick
 Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
 Nelson Barrere
 Thomas Bartlett, jr.
 Hiram Bell
 Henry Bennett
 Richard I. Bowie
 Obadiah Bowne
 Samuel Brenton
 George H. Brown
 Joseph Cable
 Chauncey F. Cleveland
 James L. Conger
 John F. Darby
 George T. Davis
 Gilbert Dean
 David T. Disney
 Alfred Dockery
 James Duane Doty
 Ben. C. Eastman
 Francis B. Fay
 John G. Floyd
 Meredith P. Gentry
 Joshua R. Giddings
 Robert Goodenow
 John Z. Goodrich

Mr. Willis A. Gorman
 Ben. Edwards Grey
 Edward Hammond
 Alexander Harper
 Solomon G. Haven
 William Hebard
 Junius Hillyer
 Volney E. Howard
 John W. Howe
 Thomas M. Howe
 Thomas Y. How, jr.
 William F. Hunter
 James Johnson
 John Johnson
 George G. King
 Joseph H. Kuhns
 J. Aristide Landry
 Edward P. Little
 Fayette McMullen
 James Meacham
 John G. Miller
 Richard S. Molony
 Henry D. Moore
 John Moore

Mr. James T. Morehead
 Eben Newton
 David Outlaw
 Samuel W. Parker
 Gilchrist Porter
 George Read Riddle
 William A. Sackett
 Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
 Marius Schoonmaker
 Edward Stanly
 Benjamin Stanton
 Richard H. Stanton
 Abr'm P. Stephens
 Alexander H. Stephens
 Josiah Sutherland
 John L. Taylor
 Robert Toombs
 Abraham W. Venable
 Thomas Y. Walsh
 Israel Washburn, jr.
 Albert G. Watkins
 John Welch
 John Wells
 Alexander White.

So the said resolution was agreed to.

Mr. George W. Jones moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Henn, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, bills of the following titles, viz:

S. 271. An act amendatory of existing laws relative to the half-dollar, quarter-dollar, dime, and half-dime;

S. 624. An act to prevent, in certain cases, a failure or delay of justice in the courts of the District of Columbia;

When

The Speaker signed the same.

Mr. Wildrick, from the same committee, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, bills of the following titles, viz:

S. 397. An act for the relief of Rosanna Sowards;

S. 513. An act for the relief of Joseph Morehead;

When

The Speaker signed the same.

Mr. Henn, from the same committee, reported that the committee did, on this day, present to the President of the United States the foregoing bills numbered 271, 624, 397, and 513.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Orr reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the bill of the House (No. 337) "making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of the government for the year ending June 30, 1854," had come to no resolution thereon.

And then,

On motion of Mr. Polk,

At 3 o'clock and 25 minutes p. m. the House adjourned until tomorrow at 11 o'clock a. m.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1853.

Before the reading of the journal, no quorum being present,

On motion of Mr. Alexander H. Stephens,

Ordered, That there be a call of the House.

The roll being called, the following named members failed to answer to their names, viz:

Messrs. James Abercrombie, Charles Allen, John Appleton, Thomas H. Averett, Leander Babcock, David J. Bailey, Nelson Barrere, Thomas Bartlett, jr., James M. H. Beale, William H. Bissell, Obadiah Bowne, John H. Boyd, John Bragg, George Briggs, James Brooks, George H. Brown, Armistead Burt, George H. Bushy, Joseph Cable, Lewis D. Campbell, Thompson Campbell, David K. Cartter, John S. Caskie, Joseph R. Chandler, William M. Churchwell, Sherrard Clemens, William F. Colcock, James L. Conger, William Cullom, Carlton B. Curtis, John F. Darby, George T. Davis, David T. Disney, James Duane Doty, Charles Durkee, Henry A. Edmundson, Presley Ewing, Charles J. Faulkner, John G. Floyd, Henry M. Fuller, James Gamble, Meredith P. Gentry, Joshua R. Giddings, John Z. Goodrich, Edward Hammond, John H. H. Haws, Solomon G. Haven, William Hebard, Harry Hibbard, Thomas M. Howe, William F. Hunter, Colin M. Ingersoll, Joseph W. Jackson, Timothy Jenkins, Andrew Johnson,

James Johnson, Robert W. Johnson, Daniel T. Jones, Preston King, Horace Mann, Edward C. Marshall, Frederick S. Martin, John C. Mason, Joseph W. McCorkle, Moses McDonald, Fayette McMullen, Richard K. Meade, Ahiman L. Miner, Richard S. Molony, William Murray, David Outlaw, Charles H. Peaslee, Alexander G. Penn, William H. Polk, William Preston, Rodman M. Price, Isaac Reed, Thomas Ross, Joseph Russell, John H. Savage, John L. Schoolcraft, Zeno Scudder, Richardson Scurry, Ephraim K. Smart, William W. Snow, Edward Stanly, Benjamin Stanton, Abr'm P. Stephens, Thaddeus Stevens, Nathan T. Stratton, James F. Strother, Charles Sweetser, Henry S. Walbridge, Daniel Wallace, William T. Ward, Addison White, Alexander White, Joseph A. Woodward, Richard Yates.

When,

On motion of Mr. George W. Jones, all further proceedings in the call were dispensed with.

A quorum being present, the journal was read.

The House then resumed the consideration of the bill of the House (No. 360) "establishing reciprocal trade with the British North American colonies, upon certain conditions"—heretofore reported from the Committee on Commerce; the pending question being on the motion of Mr. George W. Jones to commit the same to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

After debate,

Mr. Meacham, by unanimous consent, presented resolutions of the legislature of the State of Vermont "on reciprocal trade between the United States and the British provinces of Canada East and Canada West;" which were referred to the Committee on Commerce, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Clingman, by unanimous consent, submitted the following amendment to the said bill, viz:

Add at the end of the first section—

"*Provided*, That, before any of the provisions of this bill shall take effect, the government of Great Britain shall agree with the government of the United States that all the ports of the British dominions and of the United States, respectively, shall be open to all the vessels of both countries, whether engaged in the coasting or other trade, in the same manner and under like regulations as they are now authorized to do with reference to the foreign trade of the two countries."

The same having been read,

Mr. Washburn, by unanimous consent, submitted the following additional amendment to the said bill, viz:

Strike out all after the words "to wit," in the 53d line, to and including the 62d line, and insert, "all articles the growth, production, or manufacture of the said British North American provinces, and all articles the growth, production, or manufacture of the United States, save and except as is hereinafter provided."

After further debate, and pending the question on the motion of Mr. George W. Jones to commit the said bill,

The morning hour having expired,

Mr. Houston moved that the House proceed to the consideration of business on the Speaker's table;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Orr reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the bill of the House (No. 337) "making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of the government for the year ending June 30, 1854," had come to no resolution thereon.

The following petitions and memorials were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. John W. Howe: Two petitions of citizens of the State of Pennsylvania, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Shippenville to Butler, in said State.

By Mr. Thaddeus Stevens: The petition of citizens of the State of Pennsylvania, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Gettysburg to Hanover, in said State.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Gorman: The petition of John Alexander, and sundry citizens of the State of Indiana, on his behalf, praying that he may be granted a pension; which was referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. Abercrombie: The petition of citizens of the State of Alabama, praying for the removal of the land office from Sparta to Elba, in said State.

By Mr. Albert G. Brown: The petition of citizens of the State of Mississippi, praying for the removal of the land office from Augusta to Shieldsboro', in said State.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Giddings: The memorial of the Kenneth Monthly Meeting of Friends, of Chester county, in the State of Pennsylvania, praying for the repeal of the fugitive-slave law; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Averett: The memorial of the municipal officers of the corporation of Georgetown, in the District of Columbia, praying for the rebuilding of the Little Falls bridge across the Potomac river.

By Mr. Hammond: The memorial of the medical department of the Georgetown College, praying for an appropriation for the support of their infirmary.

Ordered, That said memorials be referred to the Committee for the District of Columbia.

By Mr. Briggs: The petition of Henry R. Dunham, praying for compensation for the balance due him under contract for the construction of the caisson and folding-gates of the stone dock in Brooklyn, New York.

By Mr. Albert G. Brown: The petition of Alexander Lea, praying for indemnity for losses sustained by him by the destruction of a light-house of which he was keeper.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee of Claims.

By Mr. Ingersoll: The petition of citizens of the State of Connecticut, praying that measures be taken to secure to American citizens the right of conscience in religious matters wherever they may be; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. Edgerton: Six petitions of citizens of New York, praying that Rouse's Point be declared a port of entry; which were referred to the Committee on Commerce.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed bills of the following titles, viz:

S. 123. An act authorizing the sale of certain reserved lands in Alabama;

S. 626. An act for the relief of Sophia Kerby;
in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The Senate have passed a bill of this House of the following title, viz:

H. R. 335. An act to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the service of the fiscal year ending the 30th of June, 1853; with amendments; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The Senate insist upon their 1st and 4th amendments to the bill of the House (No. 326) entitled "An act to prevent frauds upon the Treasury of the United States," disagreed to by the House, and ask a conference with the House upon the said disagreeing votes of the two houses; and the Senate have appointed Mr. Badger, Mr. Butler, and Mr. Bayard the said committee on their part.

The Senate have disagreed to the amendments of this House to the bill of the Senate (No. 573) entitled "An act for the relief of John Charles Fremont, late lieutenant colonel in the army of the United States.

And then he withdrew.

A message was received from the President of the United States, by Millard P. Fillmore, his private secretary, notifying the House that he did, on the 14th instant, approve and sign bills of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 347. An act granting the right of way to the St. Louis and Iron Mountain Railroad Company, and for other purposes;

H. R. 161. An act to provide for the payment of the companies of Captains Bush, Price, and Suarez, for military services in Florida;

H. R. 361. An act for the relief of John Millar;

H. R. 356. An act for the relief of Captain George P. Smith;

H. R. 355. An act to change the name of the steamboat "Forest City;"

H. R. 224. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to create the office of surveyor general of the public lands in Oregon, and to provide for the survey, and to make donations to the settlers of the said public lands," approved September 27, 1850.

On motion of Mr. Letcher, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That leave be granted for the withdrawal, from the files of the House, of the papers in the case of Thomas Massie.

The said papers were thereupon handed to Mr. Letcher.

On motion of Mr. George W. Jones,

Ordered, That the bill of the House (No. 335) "to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1853," be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means, and, together with the Senate amendments thereto, printed.

Mr. Richard H. Stanton, from the Committee on Printing, submitted the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the House Committee on Printing cause the maps accompanying the report of the Superintendent of the Coast Survey to be bound in quarto form, provided that the cost shall not exceed eighteen cents per volume; and that they also cause to be bound the maps accompanying the report of the Secretary of the Treasury, on the trade of the British North American colonies, in a separate volume and style similar to the maps accompanying the reports of Foster and Whitney, as published by the Senate, provided the cost shall not exceed twelve and a half cents per volume.

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Hall,

At 3 o'clock and 40 minutes p. m. the House adjourned until tomorrow at 11 o'clock a. m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1853.

The following petitions and memorials were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. John W. Howe: The petition of citizens of the State of Pennsylvania, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Agnew's Mills to Cass, in Venango county, in said State.

By Mr. Cabell: The concurrent resolutions of the legislature of the State of Florida, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Appalachicola to Bainbridge, in the State of Georgia.

Ordered, That said petition and resolutions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Hunter: The petition of Mary Tannehill, widow of Thomas Tannehill, deceased, praying for bounty land; which was referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. Kuhns: The petition of Elizabeth Hamilton, heir and legal representative of Samuel Moorehead, a soldier of the revolution, praying for commutation or half-pay due her ancestor; which was referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Claims.

By Mr. Thaddeus Stevens: The memorial of the society for promoting the abolition of slavery, and for the amelioration of the condition of the free blacks, praying for the modification of the fugitive-slave law; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Giddings: The petition of citizens of the State of Ohio, praying for the passage of the homestead bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Cabell: The concurrent resolutions of the State of Florida, praying that a mail-route be constructed across the isthmus of Tehuantepec; which were referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

Also, the concurrent resolutions of the legislature of the State of

Florida, relative to the removal of the Seminole Indians, and for the use of the United States arsenal for the preservation of the State arms.

By Mr. Brooks: The memorial of a public meeting of citizens of the city of New York, praying for a modification of the bounty-land act of 1850.

Ordered, That said resolutions and memorial be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Cabell: The resolutions of the legislature of the State of Florida, relative to the improvements of Yellow and Shoal rivers, in said State.

Ordered, That said resolutions be referred to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. Skelton: The petition of Horace H. Day and Henry O'Reily, praying for an amendment of the patent laws; which was referred to the Committee on Patents.

On motion of Mr. Clark, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That the Senate be requested to return to this House the bill of the Senate (No. 242) entitled "An act to regulate the terms of the district court of the United States for the district of Iowa."

The Speaker, by unanimous consent, laid before the House sundry executive communications, viz:

I. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, recommending an appropriation of seventy-five thousand dollars for the purpose of building a revenue cutter, to be propelled by steam, for service on the Pacific coast; which was referred to the Committee of Ways and Means, and ordered to be printed.

II. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, submitting estimates of appropriation for the salaries of the supervising and local inspectors, contingencies, &c., under a provision of the act of August 30, 1842, for the better preservation of the lives of passengers on steamboats, &c.; which was referred to the Committee of Ways and Means, and ordered to be printed.

III. A letter from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting statements of the manner in which the contingent funds of his department and its several bureaus have been expended during the last year; which was laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

IV. A letter from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting lists of the clerks and other persons employed in his department during the last year; which was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

V. A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting a report of the Topographical Bureau, in answer to a resolution of the House of Representatives of the 17th of January last, in reference to the harbor of Cape Vincent, in New York; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce, and ordered to be printed.

The Speaker also, by unanimous consent, laid before the House the annual report of the Commissioner of Public Buildings, showing the manner in which all appropriations for the public buildings and grounds have been applied, "so far as the same have come under his charge;" which report was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Duncan, by unanimous consent, from the Committee on Com-

merce, reported a bill (No. 362) "making appropriations for light-houses, light-boats, buoys, &c., and providing for the erection and establishment of the same, and for other purposes;" which was read a first and second time, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, and ordered to be printed.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickinson, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have directed me to return to the House the bill of the Senate (No. 242) entitled "An act to regulate the terms of the district court of the United States for the district of Iowa," as requested by this House.

The President of the United States has notified the Senate that he did, on the 14th instant, approve and sign bills of the following titles, viz:

S. 316. An act for the benefit of the town of Belleview and the cities of Burlington and Du Buque, in the State of Iowa;

S. 603. An act authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue a register to the American-built steamship Albatross;

S. 421. An act for the relief of John Williams.

And that he did, on the 16th instant, approve and sign bills of the following titles, viz:

S. 513. An act for the relief of Joseph Morehead;

S. 397. An act for the relief of Rosanna Sowards;

S. 624. An act to prevent, in certain cases, a failure or delay of justice in the courts of the District of Columbia.

And then he withdrew.

The Speaker having announced as the business in order the following resolution, reported from the Committee on Printing, and which was pending when the House adjourned on yesterday:

Resolved, That the House Committee on Printing cause the maps accompanying the report of the Superintendent of the Coast Survey to be bound in quarto form, provided that the cost shall not exceed eighteen cents per volume; and that they also cause to be bound the maps accompanying the report of the Secretary of the Treasury on the trade of the British North American colonies in a separate volume, and style similar to the maps accompanying the reports of Foster and Whitney, as published by the Senate, provided the cost shall not exceed twelve and a half cents per volume:

On motion of Mr. Stanly,

Ordered, That its further consideration be postponed until Tuesday next.

Mr. Houston moved that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union;

Pending which,

Mr. Edgerton moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House for the consideration of private bills; which motion was disagreed to.

The question recurring on the motion of Mr. Houston,

Mr. Sweetser moved that the chairs now placed in the area of the hall be removed therefrom; which motion was disagreed to.

The question again recurred on the motion of Mr. Houston;

And being put, it was decided in the affirmative.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Orr reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the bill of the House (No. 337) "making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of the government for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854," had come to no resolution thereon.

A message in writing was received from the President of the United States, by Millard P. Fillmore, his private secretary; which was handed in at the Speaker's table.

The Speaker, by unanimous consent, then laid before the House the said message; which was read, and is as follows, viz :

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

I transmit a report from the Secretary of State, embodying the substance of recent communications made by the minister of her Britannic Majesty to the Department of State, on the subject of the inter-oceanic canal, by the Nicaragua route, which formed the chief object of the treaty between the United States and Great Britain, of the 19th April, 1850, and the relations of Great Britain to the protectorate of Mosquito, which she expresses herself desirous of relinquishing on terms consistent with her honorable engagements to the Indians of that name.

In consequence of these communications, and other considerations, stated in the report, it is deemed advisable by the department that our diplomatic relations with the States of Central America should be placed on a higher and more efficient footing, and this measure meets my approbation. The whole subject is one of so much delicacy and importance that I should have preferred, so near the close of my administration, not to make it the subject of an executive communication. But, inasmuch as the measure proposed cannot, even if deemed expedient by my successor, take effect for near a twelvemonth, unless an appropriation is made by this Congress, I have thought it my duty to submit the report of the department to the two houses. The importance of the measure seemed to require an exposition somewhat in detail of the grounds on which it is recommended.

MILLARD FILLMORE.

WASHINGTON, February 18, 1853.

Ordered, That the said message and accompanying documents be referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and printed.

The Speaker also laid before the House a letter from the Clerk of the House, communicating, in compliance with the provisions of the act of August 31, 1852, information relative to the purchase of books for members of the Thirty-second Congress; which was referred to the Committee of Ways and Means, and ordered to be printed.

And then,

On motion of Mr. Dean,

At 3 o'clock and 57 minutes p. m. the House adjourned until tomorrow at 11 o'clock a. m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1853.

The following petitions were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Fay: The petition of citizens of Danverse, in the State of Massachusetts, praying for the passage of the bill now pending before Congress for the better protection of inventors and their assignees; which was referred to the Committee on Patents.

By Mr. Gentry: The petition of James Young, praying that the same extra compensation as has been usually allowed to the clerks in the Clerk's Office of the House of Representatives be granted to him for the time he was employed as clerk to the Committee of Claims; which was referred to the Committee on Accounts.

On motion of Mr. Preston King, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That the House insist upon their disagreement to the 1st and 4th amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 326) "to prevent frauds upon the Treasury of the United States," insisted upon by the Senate; and agree to the appointment of a committee of conference thereon, as asked by the Senate.

Ordered, That Mr. Preston King, Mr. Chapman, and Mr. Andrew Johnson be the said committee on the part of the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed bills of the following titles, viz:

S. 607. An act for the relief of Betsey Norton;

S. 612. An act to incorporate the Georgetown and Catoctin Railroad Company;

in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Houston moved that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union;

Pending which,

Mr. Edgerton moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House for the consideration of private bills; which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurred on the motion of Mr. Houston; and being put, it was decided in the affirmative.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Orr reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the bill of the House (No. 337) "making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of the government for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854," had found itself without a quorum, and that he had caused the roll to be called, when it appeared that the following named members were absent, viz:

James Abercrombie, Willis Allen, Thomas Bartlett, jr., James

M. H. Beale, William H. Bissell, Thomas S. Bocock, John H. Boyd, John Bragg, Samuel Brenton, George Briggs, James Brooks, Albert G. Brown, George H. Brown, Lorenzo Burrows, Armistead Burt, George H. Busby, E. Carrington Cabell, Joseph P. Caldwell, David K. Cartter, Joseph R. Chandler, William M. Churchwell, Lincoln Clark, Sherrard Clemens, Chauncey F. Cleveland, James L. Conger, Joseph S. Cottman, William Cullom, John R. J. Daniel, George T. Davis, John G. Davis, David T. Disney, Alfred Dockery, Charles Durkee, Ben. C. Eastman, Henry A. Edmundson, Alexander Evans, Presley Ewing, Charles J. Faulkner, Orlando B. Ficklin, John G. Floyd, John D. Freeman, Henry M. Fuller, Alfred Gilmore, Robert Goodenow, Frederick W. Green, Ben. Edwards Grey, William T. Hamilton, Edward Hammond, Sampson W. Harris, John H. H. Haws, Augustus P. Hascall, Solomon G. Haven, Junius Hillyer, Colin M. Ingersoll, James Johnson, Robert W. Johnson, Joseph H. Kuhns, William H. Kurtz, Daniel Mace, Horace Mann, Edward C. Marshall, Frederick S. Martin, Joseph W. McCorkle, John McQueen, James Meacham, Ahiman L. Miner, James T. Morehead, Charles Murphy, Eben Newton, Edson B. Olds, David Outlaw, Samuel W. Parker, Gilchrist Porter, Paulus Powell, William Preston, Rodman M. Price, Isaac Reed, William A. Richardson, George Read Riddle, John L. Robinson, Thomas Ross, Joseph Russell, John H. Savage, Marius Schoonmaker, Zeno Scudder, Richardson Scurry, Ephraim K. Smart, William R. Smith, Abr'm P. Stephens, Alexander H. Stephens, Thaddeus Stevens, James W. Stone, Louis St. Martin, Charles Sweetser, Robert Toombs, Henry S. Walbridge, Daniel Wallace, Thomas Y. Walsh, William T. Ward, Addison White, Alexander White, John A. Wilcox, Christopher H. Williams, Richard Yates.

A quorum having appeared,

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Orr reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the bill of the House (No. 337) "making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of the government for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854," had directed him to report the same with sundry amendments.

The Speaker having stated the question to be on agreeing to the said amendments,

Mr. Stanly submitted an additional amendment;

Pending which,

Mr. Stanly moved that the said bill and pending amendments be re-committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union;

Pending which,

Mr. Stanly moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put.

Mr. George W. Jones moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

When.

Mr. Houston, by unanimous consent, from the Committee of Ways and Means, to whom was referred the bill of the House (No. 335) "to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the service of the fiscal year ending the 30th of June, 1853," together with the amendments of the Senate thereto, made a report thereon, recommending concurrence in some of the said amendments, disagreement to others, and agreement with amendments to others.

Ordered, That the said bill and pending amendments be committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, and that the said report be printed.

Mr. Benjamin Stanton gave notice, under the rule, of his intention to move for leave to introduce a bill "to amend the several acts regulating the fees of custom-house officers."

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have agreed to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the House (No. 326) "to prevent frauds upon the Treasury of the United States."

And then,

On motion of Mr. Letcher,

At 6 o'clock and 50 minutes p. m. the House adjourned until Monday next at 11 o'clock a. m.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1853.

The following petitions were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Eastman: The petition of citizens of the State of Wisconsin, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Prairie du Chien to Muscoda, in Grant county, in said State.

By Mr. Gaylord: Four petitions of citizens of the State of Ohio, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Newark, in Perry county, to Portsmouth, in Scioto county, in said State.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Giddings: The petition of citizens of the State of Ohio, praying for the passage of the homestead bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Babcock: Two petitions of citizens of the State of New York, praying for a grant of public land to aid in the construction of a ship-canal around the Falls of Niagara.

By Mr. Townshend: The petition of citizens of the State of Ohio, of like import with the foregoing.

By Mr. Little: The petition of citizens of Plymouth, in the State of Massachusetts, praying for a change in the appropriation made in 1852 for the repairs of the government works at Plymouth beach.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. Tuck: The petition of citizens of the State of New Hampshire, praying for the establishment of naval schools, and for the abo-

lition of the tax against sailors, known as "hospital money;" which was referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Fitch, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That leave be granted for the withdrawal, from the files of the House, of the papers in the case of Mary E., widow of Henry Eaton, who has made application for a pension on account of the services of her husband in the Florida war, for the purpose of reference to one of the executive departments.

The said papers were thereupon handed to Mr. Fitch.

The Speaker announced as the business first in order the bill of the House (No. 337) "making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of the government for the year ending June 30, 1854," reported, upon Saturday last, from the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, with sundry amendments; the pending question being on the motion of Mr. Stanly to recommit the same; and upon which the main question was ordered to be put.

The question being put, Shall the said bill and pending amendments be recommitted?

It was decided in the negative.

The first twenty-five amendments were then severally read and agreed to.

The *twenty-sixth* amendment was read, as follows, viz: Add at the end of the 310th line:

"Provided, That neither the office of the Secretary of the Interior, nor any bureau thereof, other than the Patent Office, shall be located in the Patent Office building until directed by law."

And the question being put, Will the House agree thereto?

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 104
Nays 69

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
John Allison
John Appleton
William S. Ashe
David J. Bailey
Thomas Bartlett, jr.
James M. H. Beale
Hiram Bell
Thomas M. Bibighaus
Obadiah Bowne
John Bragg
Samuel Brenton
George Briggs
James Brooks
Albert G. Brown
George H. Brown
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
Lewis D. Campbell
Thompson Campbell
David K. Cartter
John S. Caskie
Joseph R. Chandler
William M. Churchwell
Chauncey F. Cleveland
Thomas L. Clingman

Mr. John R. J. Daniel
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
John L. Dawson
Milo M. Dimmick
Alfred Dockery
James H. Duncan
Ben. C. Eastman
Alfred P. Edgerton
Thomas B. Florence
John D. Freeman
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James M. Gaylord
Meredith P. Gentry
Joshua R. Giddings
Alfred Gilmore
John Z. Goodrich
Galusha A. Grow
Alexander Harper
Sampson W. Harris
Emanuel B. Hart
Augustus P. Hascall
Bernhart Henn
Jerediah Horsford
John W. Howe
Thomas M. Howe

Mr. Thomas Y. How, jr.
Timothy Jenkins
Daniel T. Jones
Joseph H. Kuhns
William H. Kurtz
J. Aristide Landry
Edward P. Little
James Lockhart
Horace Mann
Joseph W. McCorkle
Moses McDonald
James X. McLanahan
John McNair
James Meacham
John G. Miller
Richard S. Molony
Henry D. Moore
John Moore
John A. Morrison
William Murray
Edson B. Olds
Andrew Parker
Samuel W. Parker
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Gilchrist Porter
Isaac Reed

Mr. George Read Riddle	Mr. David L. Seymour	Mr. Robert Toombs
John Robbins, jr.	Benjamin Stanton	Norton S. Townshend
Thomas Ross	Frederick P. Stanton	Amos Tuck
Joseph Russell	Richard H. Stanton	Abraham W. Venable
Lorenzo Sabine	Abr'm P. Stephens	Thomas Y. Walsh
John H. Savage	Thaddeus Stevens	Albert G. Watkins
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn	Louis St. Martin	John Wells
John L. Schoolcraft	Josiah Sutherland	Isaac Wildrick.
Marius Schoonmaker	Benjamin B. Thurston	

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Thomas H. Averett	Junius Hillyer	Mr. Jared Perkins
Henry Bennett	George S. Houston	John S. Phelps
John H. Boyd	Volney E. Howard	Paulus Powell
John C. Breckinridge	Colin M. Ingersoll	William Preston
Lorenzo Burrows	Willard Ives	William A. Richardson
Joseph P. Caldwell	Joseph W. Jackson	Reuben Robie
Lincoln Clark	John Johnson	John L. Robinson
Williamson R. W. Cobb	Robert W. Johnson	William A. Sackett
William F. Colcock	George W. Jones	Richardson Scurry
Gilbert Dean	J. Glancy Jones	Origen S. Seymour
David T. Disney	Preston King	Charles Skelton
James Duane Doty	John Letcher	William R. Smith
Cyrus L. Dunham	Frederick S. Martin	James W. Stone
Henry A. Edmundson	John C. Mason	Nathan T. Stratton
Charles J. Faulkner	John McQueen	James F. Strother
Francis B. Fay	Richard K. Meade	Charles Sweetser
John G. Floyd	John S. Millson	John L. Taylor
Robert Goodenow	James T. Morehead	Daniel Wallace
Willard P. Hall	Charles Murphy	Israel Washburn, jr.
William T. Hamilton	Benjamin D. Nabers	John Welch
Isham G. Harris	David Outlaw	John A. Wilcox
Solomon G. Haven	Charles H. Peaslee	Joseph A. Woodward
Harry Hibbard	Alexander G. Penn	Richard Yates.

So the *twenty-sixth* amendment was agreed to.

The 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st, 32d, 33d, 34th, 35th, 36th, 37th, 38th, 39th, 40th, 41st, and 42d amendments were then severally read and agreed to.

The *forty-third* amendment was read, as follows, viz:

At the end of line 580, insert:

"To aid the directors of the Washington infirmaries to enlarge their accommodations for the benefit of sick and transient paupers, twenty thousand dollars."

And the question being put, Will the House agree thereto?

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 105
Nays..... 75

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie	Mr. George H. Brown	Mr. John F. Darby
John Allison	Lorenzo Burrows	George T. Davis
John Appleton	Joseph P. Caldwell	John L. Dawson
William Appleton	Lewis D. Campbell	Milo M. Dimmick
William S. Ashe	David K. Cartter	Alfred Dockery
Thomas H. Bayly	Charles Chapman	James Duane Doty
Thomas Bartlett, jr.	Elijah W. Chastain	James H. Duncan
Hiram Bell	Chauncey F. Cleveland	Charles Durkee
Thomas M. Bibighaus	Thomas L. Clingman	Francis B. Fay
Obadiah Bowne	William F. Colcock	Graham N. Fitch
John C. Breckinridge	James L. Conger	Thomas B. Florence
George Briggs	Carlton B. Curtis	John G. Floyd

Mr. Meredith P. Gentry
 Alfred Gilmore
 Robert Goodenow
 John Z. Goodrich
 Willis A. Gorman
 Galusha A. Grow
 Alexander Harper
 John H. H. Haws
 Augustus P. Hascall
 Solomon G. Haven
 Volney E. Howard
 John W. Howe
 Thomas M. Howe
 William F. Hunter
 Willard Ives
 Joseph W. Jackson
 Timothy Jenkins
 Robert W. Johnson
 Daniel T. Jones
 George G. King
 Preston King
 Joseph H. Kuhns
 Edward P. Little

Mr. James Lockhart
 James X. McLanahan
 John McQueen
 James Meacham
 John G. Miller
 Richard S. Molony
 Henry D. Moore
 John Moore
 John A. Morrison
 William Murray
 Benjamin D. Nabers
 Eben Newton
 Edson B. Olds
 David Outlaw
 Andrew Parker
 Charles H. Peaselee
 Jared Perkins
 William H. Polk
 Gilchrist Porter
 William Preston
 Isaac Reed
 William A. Richardson
 Reuben Robie

Mr. John L. Robinson
 Lorenzo Sabine
 William A. Sackett
 Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
 John L. Schoolcraft
 David L. Seymour
 Origen S. Seymour
 William R. Smith
 Edward Stanly
 Benjamin Stanton
 Frederick P. Stanton
 Richard H. Stanton
 Abr'm P. Stephens
 Thaddeus Stevens
 James W. Stone
 James F. Strother
 John L. Taylor
 Benjamin B. Thurston
 Robert Toombs
 Abraham W. Venable
 Thomas Y. Walsh
 John Welch
 Richard Yates.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
 Thomas H. Averett
 David J. Bailey
 Henry Bennett
 Thomas S. Boock
 John H. Boyd
 John Bragg
 Samuel Brenton
 George H. Busby
 Joseph Cable
 William M. Churchwell
 Lincoln Clark
 Williamson R. W. Cobb
 John R. J. Daniel
 Gilbert Dean
 Cyrus L. Dunham
 Ben. C. Eastman
 Alfred P. Edgerton
 Henry A. Edmundson
 John D. Freeman
 Thomas J. D. Fuller
 Joshua R. Giddings
 Frederick W. Green
 Willard P. Hall
 William T. Hamilton

Mr. Isham G. Harris
 Emanuel B. Hart
 William Hebard
 Thomas A. Hendricks
 Bernhart Henn
 Harry Hibbard
 Junius Hillyer
 Alexander R. Holladay
 Jerediah Horsford
 George S. Houston
 Thomas Y. How, jr.
 Colin M. Ingersoll
 Andrew Johnson
 James Johnson
 John Johnson
 George W. Jones
 J. Glancy Jones
 William H. Kurtz
 J. Aristide Landry
 John Letcher
 Horace Mann
 John C. Mason
 Moses McDonald
 Fayette McMullen
 John McNair

Mr. Richard K. Meade
 John S. Millson
 James T. Morehead
 Charles Murphy
 Samuel W. Parker
 Alexander G. Penn
 Ebenezer J. Penniman
 John S. Phelps
 Paulus Powell
 John Robbins, jr.
 Thomas Ross
 Joseph Russell
 Marius Schoonmaker
 Richardson Seurry
 Charles Skelton
 William W. Snow
 Louis St. Martin
 Nathan T. Stratton
 Charles Sweetser
 Norton S. Townshend
 Daniel Wallace
 Albert G. Watkins
 John Wells
 Isaac Wildrick
 Joseph A. Woodward.

So the said amendment was agreed to.

The *forty-fourth* amendment was read, and agreed to.

The *forty-fifth* amendment was then read, as follows, viz:

At the end of line 759, insert:

"For continuing the construction of the Custom House at St. Louis, one hundred and fifteen thousand dollars."

And the question being put, Will the House agree thereto?

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 91
 { Nays..... 73

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie	Mr. Robert Goodenow	Mr. Samuel W. Parker
Charles Allen	John Z. Goodrich	Alexander G. Penn
Thomas Bartlett, jr.	Willis A. Gorman	John S. Phelps
Hiram Bell	Frederick W. Green	William H. Polk
Thomas M. Bibbhaus	Ben. Edwards Grey	Gilchrist Porter
Obadiah Bowne	Willard P. Hall	William Preston
John C. Breckinridge	Alexander Harper	George Read Riddle
Samuel Brenton	Emanuel B. Hart	John L. Robinson
George Briggs	John H. H. Haws	Lorenzo Sabine
George H. Brown	Solomon G. Haven	William A. Sackett
George H. Busby	Bernhart Henn	Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
Joseph Cable	Junius Hillyer	Richardson Scurry
Lewis D. Campbell	Alexander R. Holladay	David L. Seymour
Thompson Campbell	John W. Howe	Origen S. Seymour
John S. Caskie	Thomas M. Howe	William R. Smith
Chauncey F. Cleveland	Thomas Y. How, jr.	Edward Stanly
James L. Conger	William F. Hunter	Frederick P. Stanton
John R. J. Daniel	Joseph W. Jackson	Richard H. Stanton
John F. Darby	Robert W. Johnson	Alexander H. Stephens
George T. Davis	George W. Jones	Louis St. Martin
David T. Disney	Joseph H. Kuhns	James F. Strother
James Duane Doty	Edward P. Little	Charles Sweetser
Charles Durkee	James Meacham	John L. Taylor
Ben. C. Eastman	John G. Miller	Robert Toombs
Henry A. Edmundson	Henry D. Moore	Norton S. Townshend
Francis B. Fay	John Moore	Amos Tuck
Graham N. Fitch	Benjamin D. Nabers	Thomas Y. Walsh
Thomas B. Florence	Eben Newton	Israel Washburn, jr.
John D. Freeman	Edson B. Olds	John Welch
James M. Gaylord	Andrew Parker	Richard Yates.
Meredith P. Gentry		

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. John Allison	Mr. William T. Hamilton	Mr. John McQueen
Thomas H. Averett	Isham G. Harris	Richard K. Meade
David J. Bailey	Sampson W. Harris	John S. Millsen
Thomas H. Bayly	Augustus P. Hascall	Richard S. Molony
James M. H. Beale	Thomas A. Hendricks	James T. Morehead
Thomas S. Boccock	Harry Hibbard	John A. Morrison
John Bragg	Jerediah Horsford	Charles Murphy
Albert G. Brown	George S. Houston	William Murray
Charles Chapman	Willard Ives	Charles H. Peaslee
Thomas L. Clingman	Timothy Jenkins	Ebenezer J. Penniman
Williamson R. W. Cobb	James Johnson	Jared Perkins
William F. Colcock	Daniel T. Jones	Isaac Reed
William Cullom	J. Glancy Jones	John Robbins, jr.
Carlton B. Curtis	George G. King	Reuben Robie
John L. Dawson	Preston King	Thomas Ross
Gilbert Dean	William H. Kurtz	Charles Skelton
Milo M. Dimmick	John Letcher	Abr'm P. Stephens
Cyrus L. Dunham	Horace Mann	Nathan T. Stratton
Alfred P. Edgerton	Frederick S. Martin	Benjamin B. Thurston
John G. Floyd	John C. Mason	Abraham W. Venable
Thomas J. D. Fuller	Moses McDonald	Daniel Wallace
James Gamble	James X. McLanahan	Albert G. Watkins
Joshua R. Giddings	Fayette McMullen	Isaac Wildrick
Alfred Gilmore	John McNair	Joseph A. Woodward.
Galusha A. Grow		

So the said amendment was agreed to.

The *forty-sixth* amendment was then read, as follows, viz:

At the end of the last amendment, insert:

"For proceeding with the construction of the Custom House at Louisville, Kentucky, eighty-seven thousand seven hundred and forty-five dollars."

And the question being put, Will the House agree thereto?

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas 92
 { Nays 88

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,
 Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
 William S. Ashe
 Nelson Barrere
 Hiram Bell
 Richard I. Bowie
 Obadiah Bowne
 John H. Boyd
 John C. Breckinridge
 Samuel Brenton
 George Briggs
 James Brooks
 George H. Brown
 Lorenzo Burrows
 George H. Busby
 Lewis D. Campbell
 John S. Caskie
 Joseph R. Chandler
 Sherrard Clemens
 Chauncey F. Cleveland
 James L. Conger
 William Cullom
 John F. Darby
 George T. Davis
 David T. Disney
 James Duane Doty
 Charles Durkee
 Henry A. Edmundson
 Presley Ewing
 Francis B. Fay
 Thomas B. Florence
 John D. Freeman

Mr. Meredith P. Gentry
 John Z. Goodrich
 Ben. Edwards Grey
 Willard P. Hall
 Alexander Harper
 Emanuel B. Hart
 John H. H. Haws
 Solomon G. Haven
 Bernhart Henn
 Thomas M. Howe
 Thomas Y. How, jr.
 William F. Hunter
 Joseph W. Jackson
 George W. Jones
 Joseph H. Kuhns
 J. Aristide Landry
 Edward P. Little
 James Lockhart
 Daniel Mace
 Horace Mann
 John G. Miller
 Henry D. Moore
 John Moore
 Eben Newton
 Edson B. Olds
 Andrew Parker
 Samuel W. Parkér
 Alexander G. Penn
 John S. Phelps
 William H. Polk
 Gilchrist Porter

Mr. William Preston
 George Read Riddle
 John Robbins, jr.
 John L. Robinson
 Lorenzo Sabine
 William A. Sackett
 Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
 John L. Schoolcraft
 Richardson Scurry
 David L. Seymour
 Origen S. Seymour
 William R. Smith
 William W. Snow
 Edward Stanly
 Benjamin Stanton
 Frederick P. Stanton
 Alexander H. Stephens
 James W. Stone
 Louis St. Martin
 James F. Strother
 Josiah Sutherland
 Charles Sweetser
 John L. Taylor
 Thomas Y. Walsh
 William T. Ward
 Albert G. Watkins
 John Welch
 Addison White
 Alexander White
 Richard Yates.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. John Allison
 John Appleton
 William Appleton
 Thomas H. Averett
 Leander Babcock
 David J. Bailey
 Thomas H. Bayly
 Thomas Bartlett, jr.
 Thomas M. Bibighaus
 Thomas S. Bocoock
 John Bragg
 Albert G. Brown
 Joseph Cable
 Thompson Campbell
 Charles Chapman
 William M. Churchwell
 Lincoln Clark
 Thomas L. Clingman
 Williamson R. W. Cobb
 William F. Colcock
 Carlton B. Curtis
 John R. J. Daniel
 John L. Dawson
 Gilbert Dean
 Milo M. Dimmick
 Cyrus L. Dunham

Mr. Alfred P. Edgerton
 Orlando B. Ficklin
 Graham N. Fitch
 John G. Floyd
 Thomas J. D. Fuller
 James Gamble
 Joshua R. Giddings
 Robert Goodenow
 Galusha A. Grow
 William T. Hamilton
 Isham G. Harris
 Sampson W. Harris
 Augustus P. Hascall
 William Hebard
 Harry Hibbard
 Junius Hillyer
 Alexander R. Holladay
 George S. Houston
 Volney E. Howard
 John W. Howe
 Willard Ives
 Timothy Jenkins
 James Johnson
 John Johnson
 Daniel T. Jones
 J. Glancy Jones

Mr. George G. King
 Preston King
 William H. Kurtz
 John Letcher
 Frederick S. Martin
 John C. Mason
 Moses McDonald
 James X. McLanahan
 Fayette McMullen
 John McNair
 John McQueen
 Richard K. Meade
 John S. Millson
 Richard S. Molony
 James T. Morehead
 John A. Morrison
 Charles Murphy
 William Murray
 Charles H. Peaslee
 Ebenezer J. Penniman
 Jared Perkins
 Paulus Powell
 Isaac Reed
 Reuben Robie
 Thomas Ross
 Charles Skelton

Mr. Abr'm P. Stephens
Thaddeus Stevens
Nathan T. Stratton
Benjamin B. Thurston

Mr. Norton S. Townshend
Daniel Wallace
Israel Washburn, jr.

Mr. John Wells
Isaac Wildrick
Joseph A. Woodward.

So the said amendment was agreed to.

The *forty-seventh* amendment was then read, as follows, viz:

At the end of the 46th amendment, insert the following:

"For the completion of the Custom House at Cincinnati, eighty-seven thousand seven hundred and forty-five dollars."

And the question being put, Will the House agree thereto?

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 94
Nays..... 85

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
William S. Ashe
Nelson Barrere
Hiram Bell
Richard I. Bowie
Obadiah Bowne
John H. Boyd
John C. Breckinridge
Samuel Brenton
George H. Brown
Armistead Burt
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
Lewis D. Campbell
Thompson Campbell
David K. Cartter
Sherrard Clemens
Chauncey F. Cleveland
James L. Conger
William Cullom
John F. Darby
David T. Disney
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Charles Durkee
Henry A. Edmundson
Presley Ewing
Graham N. Fitch
Thomas B. Florence
John D. Freeman
James M. Gaylord
Meredith P. Gentry

Mr. John Z. Goodrich
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Ben. Edwards Grey
Willard P. Hall
Alexander Harper
Emanuel B. Hart
John H. H. Haws
Solomon G. Haven
Thomas A. Hendricks
Bernhart Heun
Thomas M. Howe
Thomas Y. How, jr.
William F. Hunter
Joseph W. Jackson
Joseph H. Kuhns
J. Aristide Landry
Edward P. Little
Daniel Mace
Horace Mann
Joseph W. McCorkle
John G. Miller
Henry D. Moore
John Moore
Eben Newton
Edson B. Olds
Andrew Parker
Samuel W. Parker
Alexander G. Penn
Ebenezer J. Penniman
William H. Polk

Mr. Gilchrist Porter
William Preston
George Read Riddle
John Robbins, jr.
John L. Robinson
William A. Sackett
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
John L. Schoolcraft
Marius Schoonmaker
Richardson Seurry
David L. Seymour
Origen S. Seymour
William R. Smith
William W. Snow
Edward Stanly
Benjamin Stanton
Frederick P. Stant
Richard H. Stanton
Alexander H. Stephens
James W. Stone
Louis St. Martin
Charles E. Stuart
Charles Sweetser
John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston
Norton S. Townshend
Thomas Y. Walsh
William T. Ward
John Welch
Addison White
Richard Yates.



Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
John Allison
John Appleton
William Appleton
Thomas H. Averett
Leander Babcock
David J. Bailey
Thomas H. Bayly
Thomas Bartlett, jr.
James M. H. Beale
Thomas M. Bibighaus
Thomas S. Bocock
John Bragg
James Brooks

Mr. Albert G. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
Charles Chapman
Elijah W. Chastain
William M. Churchwell
Lincoln Clark
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
William F. Colcock
John R. J. Daniel
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick
Alfred Dockery

Mr. Cyrus L. Dunham
Francis B. Fay
Orlando B. Ficklin
John G. Floyd
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James Gamble
Robert Goodenow
Galusha A. Grow
William T. Hamilton
Isam G. Harris
Sampson W. Harris
Augustus P. Hascall
William Hebard
Harry Hibbard

Mr. Junius Hillyer
 Alexander B. Holladay
 Jerediah Horsford
 George S. Houston
 John W. Howe
 Willard Ives
 Timothy Jenkins
 James Johnson
 Daniel T. Jones
 J. Glancy Jones
 Preston King
 John Letcher
 Frederick S. Martin
 John C. Mason
 Moses McDonald

Mr. James K. McLanahan
 Fayette McMullen
 John McNair
 John McQueen
 Richard K. Meade
 John S. Millson
 Richard S. Molony
 James T. Morehead
 John A. Morrison
 Charles Murphy
 William Murray
 Charles H. Peaslee
 Jared Perkins
 Paulus Powell

Mr. Isaac Reed
 Reuben Robie
 Thomas Ross
 Joseph Russell
 Charles Skelton
 Abr'm P. Stephens
 Nathan T. Stratton
 Amos Tuck
 Abraham W. Venable
 Daniel Wallace
 Israel Washburn, jr.
 Albert G. Watkins
 Isaac Wildrick
 Joseph A. Woodward.

So the said amendment was agreed to.

The 48th, 49th, 50th, and 51st amendments were severally read and agreed to.

The *fifty-second* amendment was then read, as follows, viz:

At the end of line 765, insert:

"For salary and outfit of a minister to Central America, to be accredited to such one or more of the governments included in that name as the President may designate, eighteen thousand dollars."

And the question being put, Will the House agree thereto?

It was decided in the affirmative,	{ Yeas.....	94
	{ Nays.....	86

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
 John Appleton
 William Appleton
 David J. Bailey
 Thomas H. Bayly
 Hiram Bell
 Richard L. Bowie
 Obadiah Bowne
 John C. Breckinridge
 George Briggs
 Albert G. Brown
 George H. Brewn
 Armistead Burt
 George H. Busby
 E. Carrington Cabell
 David K. Cartter
 John S. Caskie
 Joseph R. Chandler
 Elijah W. Chastain
 Lincoln Clark
 Sherrard Clemens
 Chauncey F. Cleveland
 Thomas L. Clingman
 William F. Colecock
 Carlton B. Curtis
 John F. Darby
 John L. Dawson
 Gilbert Dean
 David T. Disney
 James Duane Doty
 James H. Duncan
 Cyrus L. Dunham

Mr. Francis B. Fay
 Orlando B. Ficklin
 Thomas B. Florence
 Thomas J. D. Fuller
 James Gamble
 Meredith P. Gentry
 Alfred Gilmere
 John Z. Goodrich
 Willis A. Gorman
 Frederick W. Green
 Ben. Edwards Grey
 Emanuel B. Hart
 Bernhart Henn
 George S. Houston
 Volney E. Howard
 Thomas Y. How, jr.
 Colin M. Ingersoll
 Joseph W. Jackson
 J. Aristide Landry
 Edward P. Little
 James Lockhart
 Moses McDonald
 James K. McLanahan
 Richard K. Meade
 Henry D. Moore
 James T. Morehead
 John A. Morrison
 William Murray
 Benjamin D. Nabers
 Eben Newton
 Edson B. Olds

Mr. James L. Orr
 David Outlaw
 Samuel W. Parker
 Alexander G. Penn
 John S. Phelps
 William H. Polk
 Gilchrist Porter
 Paulus Powell
 William A. Richardson
 John Robbins, jr.
 John L. Robinson
 Lorenzo Sabine
 John H. Savage
 Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
 Richardson Scurry
 David L. Seymour
 Origen S. Seymour
 William W. Snow
 Edward Stanly
 Frederick P. Stanton
 Charles E. Stuart
 Josiah Sutherland
 Charles Sweetser
 John L. Taylor
 Benjamin B. Thurston
 Norton S. Townshend
 Amos Tuck
 Thomas Y. Walsh
 William T. Ward
 John A. Wilcox
 Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
John Allison
Thomas H. Averett
Leander Babcock
Nelson Barrere
James M. H. Beale
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibighaus
Thomas S. Bocock
John Bragg
Samuel Brenton
James Brooks
Lorenzo Burrows
Joseph P. Caldwell
Lewis D. Campbell
Thompson Campbell
Williamson R. W. Cobb
William Cullom
John R. J. Daniel
George T. Davis
Alfred Dockery
Charles Durkee
Henry A. Edmundson
John G. Floyd
James M. Gaylord
Joshua R. Giddings
Robert Goodenow
Galusha A. Grow
Willard P. Hall

Mr. William T. Hamilton
Isam G. Harris
Sampson W. Harris
John H. H. Haws
Augustus P. Hascall
William Hebard
Thomas A. Hendricks
Harry Hibbard
Junius Hillyer
Jerediah Horsford
John W. Howe
Thomas M. Howe
William F. Hunter
Willard Ives
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
James Johnson
John Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George W. Jones
J. Glancy Jones
William H. Kurtz
John Letcher
Horace Mann
Frederick S. Martin
John C. Mason
Fayette McMullen
John McQueen
James Meacham

Mr. John G. Miller
John Moore
Charles Murphy
Andrew Parker
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Jared Perkins
William Preston
Isaac Reed
Reuben Reble
Thomas Ross
William A. Sackett
John L. Schoolcraft
Marius Schoonmaker
Charles Skelton
Benjamin Stanton
Abr'm P. Stephens
Thaddeus Stevens
Nathan T. Stratton
Abraham W. Venable
Daniel Wallace
Israel Washburn, jr.
Albert G. Watkins
John Welch
John Wells
Addison White
Alexander White
Isaac Wildrick.
Richard Yates.

So the said amendment was agreed to.

The 53d, 54th, 55th, 56th, 57th, 58th, 59th, 60th, 61st, 62d, 63d, 64th, 65th, 66th, 67th, and 68th amendments were severally read, and agreed to.

The *sixty-ninth* amendment was then read as follows, viz :

Strike out the following :

"For annual repairs of the President's house, furniture, improvement of grounds, painting and repairing roof, cleaning, painting, and whitewashing inside of the house, extending east wing of offices for carriage-house, blinds for the west front of the house, flooring large room in basement, purchasing trees and plants for garden and for making hot-beds therein, wire-fence, &c., six thousand two hundred and fifty dollars."

And insert, in lieu thereof, the following :

"For the construction of hot-water furnaces, the ventilation of and repairs for the Executive mansion, according to the plan of the architect submitted to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds of the House on the 4th of February, 1853, and approved by said committee, thirty thousand dollars."

And the question being put, Will the House agree thereto?

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas 63
Nays 105

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. John Appleton
William Appleton
William S. Ashe

Mr. Leander Babcock
Obadiah Bowne
John C. Brockiaridge

Mr. George Briggs
George H. Brown
Armistead Burt

Mr. Joseph R. Chandler
 Lincoln Clark
 Chauncey F. Cleveland
 William F. Colcock
 John F. Darby
 George T. Davis
 Milo M. Dimmick
 James H. Duncan
 Ben. C. Eastman
 Francis B. Fay
 Thomas B. Florence
 James Gamble
 Alfred Gilmore
 John Z. Goodrich
 Ben. Edwards Grey
 Galusha A. Grow
 Willard P. Hall
 John H. H. Haws

Mr. Harry Hibbard
 Thomas Y. How, jr.
 Robert W. Johnson
 J. Glancy Jones
 George G. King
 Joseph H. Kuhns
 William H. Kurtz
 J. Aristide Landry
 Edward P. Little
 James Lockhart
 Daniel Mace
 Joseph W. McCorkle
 John McQueen
 Richard K. Meade
 Henry D. Moore
 John A. Morrison
 William Murray
 Andrew Parker

Mr. Charles H. Peaslee
 Alexander G. Penn
 Gilchrist Porter
 George Read Riddle
 William A. Sackett
 David L. Seymour
 Origen S. Seymour
 William W. Snow
 Edward Stanly
 Frederick P. Stanton
 Richard H. Stanton
 James W. Stone
 Charles E. Stuart
 Josiah Sutherland
 John L. Taylor
 Benjamin B. Thurston
 Thomas Y. Walsh
 William T. Ward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
 John Allison
 Thomas H. Averett
 David J. Bailey
 Nelson Barrere
 James M. H. Beale
 Hiram Bell
 Thomas M. Bibighaus
 Thomas S. Bocock
 John Bragg
 Samuel Brenton
 James Brooks
 Lorenzo Burrows
 George H. Busby
 Joseph Cable
 Joseph P. Caldwell
 Lewis D. Campbell
 Thompson Campbell
 John S. Caskie
 Elijah W. Chastain
 William M. Churchwell
 Sherrard Clemens
 Thomas L. Clingman
 Williamson R. W. Cobb
 William Cullom
 John R. J. Daniel
 John L. Dawson
 Alfred Dockery
 Cyrus L. Dunham
 Charles Durkee
 Henry A. Edmundson
 Presley Ewing
 Orlando B. Ficklin
 Graham N. Fitch
 John G. Floyd

Mr. Thomas J. D. Fuller
 James M. Gaylord
 Willis A. Gorman
 William T. Hamilton
 Alexander Harper
 Isham G. Harris
 William Hebard
 Thomas A. Hendricks
 Bernhart Henn
 Alexander R. Holladay
 Jerediah Horsford
 George S. Houston
 Volney E. Howard
 John W. Howe
 Thomas M. Howe
 William F. Hunter
 Colin M. Ingersoll
 Joseph W. Jackson
 Andrew Johnson
 George W. Jones
 John Letcher
 Horace Mann
 Frederick S. Martin
 John C. Mason
 James X. McLanahan
 Fayette McMullen
 John McNair
 James Meacham
 John G. Miller
 John S. Millson
 John Moore
 James T. Morehead
 Charles Murphy
 Benjamin D. Nabers
 Edson B. Olds

Mr. James L. Orr
 David Outlaw
 Samuel W. Parker
 Ebenezer J. Penniman
 Jared Perkins
 John S. Phelps
 William H. Polk
 Paulus Powell
 William Preston
 Isaac Reed
 John Robbins, jr.
 Reuben Robie
 Thomas Ross
 John H. Savage
 John L. Schoolcraft
 Marius Schoonmaker
 Richardson Scurry
 Charles Skelton
 Benjamin Stanton
 Abr'm P. Stephens
 Alexander H. Stephens
 Thaddeus Stevens
 Nathan T. Stratton
 James F. Strother
 Charles Sweetser
 Robert Toombs
 Norton S. Townshend
 Daniel Wallace
 Albert G. Watkins
 John Welch
 John Wells
 Addison White
 John A. Wilcox
 Isaac Wildrick
 Joseph A. Woodward.

So the said amendment was disagreed to.

The 71st, 72d, 73d, 74th, 75th, 76th, and 77th amendments were severally read, and agreed to.

The *seventy-eighth* amendment was then read as follows, viz :

Strike out the second section of the bill as follows :

“ *And be it further enacted*, That the following sum be, and is hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purchase and payment of the building at the corner of

F street north and 17th street west, in the city of Washington, held by William H. Winder, and now in the occupancy of the United States, two hundred thousand dollars: *Provided*, Said William H. Winder shall make to the United States a good and sufficient title in fee-simple, with general warranty, free from all liens and incumbrances to said building and premises on which the same is situated; such title to be approved and accepted by the Attorney General and the Secretary of the Treasury before payment."

And the question being put, Will the House agree thereto?

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 99
Nays 92

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. William Aiken
Charles Allen
John Allison
Thomas H. Averett
Leander Babcock
Thomas Bartlett, jr
James M. H. Beale
Hiram Bell
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibighaus
Thomas S. Bocock
John Bragg
Samuel Brenton
Albert G. Brown
Lorenz Burrows
Armistead Burt
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
Joseph P. Caldwell
Thompson Campbell
John S. Caskie
Elijah W. Chastain
Lincoln Clark
Sherrard Clemens
Williamson R. W. Cobb
William F. Colcock
James L. Conger
John F. Darby
Charles Durkee
Ben. C. Eastman
Alfred P. Edgerton
Francis B. Fay
Orlando B. Ficklin

Mr. Graham N. Fitch
John G. Floyd
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James M. Gaylord
Joshua R. Giddings
John Z. Goodrich
Frederick W. Green
Ben. Edwards Grey
Galusha A. Grow
William T. Hamilton
John H. H. Haws
Solomon G. Haven
William Hebard
Thomas A. Hendricks
Bernhart Henn
Alexander R. Holladay
Jerediah Horsford
Volney E. Howard
John W. Howe
William F. Hunter
Colin M. Ingersoll
Willard Ives
Joseph W. Jackson
Andrew Johnson
John Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George G. King
John Letcher
Daniel Mace
Frederick S. Martin
Joseph W. McCorkle
John McQueen
James Meacham

Mr. John G. Miller
John Moore
James T. Morehead
Charles Murphy
William Murray
Benjamin D. Nabers
David Outlaw
Samuel W. Parker
Charles H. Peaslee
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Jared Perkins
Paulus Powell
Reuben Robie
Thomas Ross
Charles Skelton
Benjamin Stanton
James W. Stone
Louis St. Martin
Nathan T. Stratton
James F. Strother
Charles Sweetser
Benjamin B. Thurston
Robert Toombs
Norton S. Townshend
Daniel Wallace
William T. Ward
Albert G. Watkins
John Welch
John Wells
John A. Wilcox
Isaac Wildrick
Joseph A. Woodward
Richard Yates.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
John Appleton
William Appleton
Thomas H. Bayly
Nelson Barrere
Richard I. Bowie
Obadiah Bowne
John C. Breckinridge
George Briggs
James Brooks
George H. Brown
E. Carrington Cabell

Mr. Lewis D. Campbell
David K. Cartter
Joseph R. Chandler
William M. Churchwell
Thomas L. Clingman
William Cullom
Carlton B. Curtis
George T. Davis
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick
David T. Disney

Mr. Alfred Dockery
James Duane Doty
Cyrus L. Dunham
Henry A. Edmundson
Thomas B. Florence
John D. Freeman
James Gamble
Meredith P. Gentry
Alfred Gilmore
Willis A. Gorman
Willard P. Hall
Alexander Harper

Mr. Isham G. Harris
 Sampson W. Harris
 Emanuel B. Hart
 Harry Hibbard
 George S. Houston
 Thomas M. Howe
 Thomas Y. How, jr.
 James Johnson
 Robert W. Johnson
 George W. Jones
 J. Glancy Jones
 Joseph H. Kuhns
 William H. Kurtz
 J. Aristide Landry
 Edward P. Little
 James Lockhart
 John C. Mason
 James X. McLanahan
 Fayette McMullen

Mr. John McNair
 Richard K. Meade
 John S. Millson
 Richard S. Molony
 Henry D. Moore
 John A. Morrison
 Eben Newton
 Edson B. Olds
 James L. Orr
 Andrew Parker
 Alexander G. Penn
 John S. Phelps
 William H. Polk
 Gilchrist Porter
 William Preston
 Isaac Reed
 George Read Riddle
 John Robbins, jr.
 John L. Robinson

Mr. Lorenzo Sabine
 William A. Sackett
 John H. Savage
 Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
 John L. Schoolcraft
 Richardson Scurry
 William W. Snow
 Edward Stanly
 Frederick P. Stanton
 Richard H. Stanton
 Abr'm P. Stephens
 Alexander H. Stephens
 Thaddeus Stevens
 Charles E. Stuart
 John L. Taylor
 Amos Tuck
 Abraham W. Venable
 Thomas Y. Walsh.

So the said amendment was agreed to.

All of the amendments reported from the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union having been disposed of,

The amendment submitted by Mr. Stanly was then read, and agreed to.

On motion of Mr. George W. Jones, by unanimous consent, the said bill was further amended by striking out of the 37th line the words "assistant doorkeeper," and inserting, in lieu thereof, "*messenger in charge of the hall of the House of Representatives.*"

Under the further operation of the previous question, the bill was ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Mr. Houston moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

The Speaker announced as next in order the motion submitted by Mr. Boccock on Monday last, and pending when the House adjourned, to suspend the rules, so as to enable him to move to take from the Speaker's table the bill of the Senate (No. 574) entitled "An act to organize the navy of the United States."

And the question being put,

It was decided in the negative,	{ Yeas.....	98
	{ Nays.....	86

Two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. William Aiken
 William Appleton
 William S. Ashe
 Thomas H. Bayly
 Thomas Bartlett, jr.
 Hiram Bell
 Thomas S. Boccock
 Richard I. Bowie
 John Bragg
 James Brooks

Mr. Albert G. Brown
 George H. Brown
 Lorenzo Burrows
 Armistead Burt
 E. Carrington Cabell
 Joseph P. Caldwell
 Lewis D. Campbell
 John S. Caskie
 Joseph R. Chandler
 Charles Chapman

Mr. Sherrard Clemens
 Chauncey F. Cleveland
 Thomas L. Clingman
 William Cullom
 Carlton B. Curtis
 John F. Darby
 George T. Davis
 Gilbert Dean
 Milo M. Dimmick
 David T. Disney

Mr. James Duane Doty	Mr. George G. King	Mr. Charles Skelton
James H. Duncan	Joseph H. Kuhns	William W. Snow
Charles Durkee	J. Aristide Landry	Edward Stanly
Henry A. Edmundson	Frederick S. Martin	Frederick P. Stanton
Francis B. Fay	Joseph W. McCorkle	Abr'm P. Stephens
Oriando B. Ficklin	James X. McLanahan	Thaddeus Stevens
Thomas B. Florence	Richard K. Meade	James W. Stone
Thomas J. D. Fuller	Henry D. Moore	Louis St. Martin
Meredith P. Gentry	John Moore	Nathan T. Stratton
John Z. Goodrich	William Murray	James F. Strother
Willis A. Gorman	Eben Newton	Charles E. Stuart
Frederick W. Green	Edson B. Olds	Josiah Sutherland
Ben. Edwards Grey	Charles H. Peaslee	John L. Taylor
Alexander Harper	Alexander G. Penn	Benjamin B. Thurston
Sampson W. Harris	Ebenezer J. Penniman	Abraham W. Venable
Emanuel B. Hart	Paulus Powell	Thomas Y. Walsh
John H. H. Haws	George Read Riddle	William T. Ward
Alexander R. Holladay	Reubin Robie	Israel Washburn, jr.
Volney E. Howard	John L. Robinson	Albert G. Watkins
Thomas Y. How, jr.	Lorenzo Sabine	John Wells
Colin M. Ingersoll	Abr'm M. Schermerhorn	Addison White
Joseph W. Jackson	Marius Schoonmaker	Isaac Wildrick.
Robert W. Johnson	Origen S. Seymour	

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Charles Allen	Mr. Alfred Gilmore	Mr. John McQueen
John Allison	Galusha A. Grow	John G. Miller
Thomas H. Averett	Willard P. Hall	John S. Millson
Nelson Barrere	William T. Hamilton	Richard S. Molony
James M. H. Beale	Isham G. Harris	John A. Morrison
Henry Bennett	Solomon G. Haven	Charles Murphy
Obadiah Bowne	William Hebard	Benjamin D. Nabers
John H. Boyd	Thomas A. Hendricks	James L. Orr
Samuel Brenton	Bernhart Henn	David Outlaw
George Briggs	Harry Hibbard	Andrew Parker
Joseph Cable	Jerediah Horsford	Samuel W. Parker
Thompson Campbell	George S. Houston	John S. Phelps
David K. Cartter	John W. Howe	Gilchrist Porter
Elijah W. Chaastain	Thomas M. Howe	John Robbins, jr.
Lincoln Clark	Willard Ives	Thomas Ross
Williamson R. W. Cobb	Andrew Johnson	Joseph Russell
William F. Colcock	James Johnson	William A. Sackett
John R. J. Daniel	John Johnson	John L. Schoolcraft
John L. Dawson	Daniel T. Jones	Richardson Scurry
Alfred Dockery	George W. Jones	David L. Seymour
Cyrus L. Dunham	J. Glancy Jones	Benjamin Stanton
Ben. C. Eastman	William H. Kurtz	Alexander H. Stephens
Alfred P. Edgerton	John Letcher	Robert Toombs
Graham N. Fitch	Edward P. Little	Norton S. Townshend
John G. Floyd	James Lockhart	Amos Tuck
John D. Freeman	Daniel Mace	John Welch
James Gamble	Horace Mann	Joseph A. Woodward
James M. Gaylord	John C. Mason	Richard Yates.
Joshua R. Giddings	John McNair	

So the House refused to suspend the rules.

Mr. Houston moved that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union;

Pending which,

Mr. McMullen, at 3 o'clock and 20 minutes p. m., moved that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurred on the motion of Mr. Houston;

And being put, it was decided in the affirmative.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Bocock reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the bill of the House (No. 333) "making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian department, and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with various Indian tribes, for the year ending June 30, 1854," had come to no resolution thereon.

Mr. Millson, by unanimous consent, from the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, to whom was referred the bill of the Senate (No. 125) entitled "An act for the relief of Mary W. Thompson," reported the same without amendment.

Pending the question on its third reading,

Mr. Millson, by unanimous consent, submitted the following amendment, viz:

Add at the end of the bill: "*And the pension heretofore allowed to Mrs. Elizabeth V. Lomax, widow of Mann P. Lomax, late major of the ordnance corps, shall commence on the 27th day of March, 1842, and continue for and during her widowhood.*"

And the question being put, Will the House agree to the said amendment?

It was decided in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the said bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

The title of the bill being read,

On motion of Mr. Millson,

Ordered, That it be amended by adding thereto: "*and Mrs. Elizabeth V. Lomax.*"

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the said amendments.

Mr. Mace, by unanimous consent, from the Committee of Claims, to whom was referred the petition of John Huffington, made a report thereon, accompanied by a bill (No. 363) for his relief; which bill was read a first and second time.

By unanimous consent, the rule requiring its commitment was suspended, and the House proceeded to its further consideration.

Ordered, That it be engrossed, and read a third time.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Mr. Bowne moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to introduce a bill for the relief of Eli Darling; which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Letcher moved, at 3 o'clock and 37 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

Mr. Venable moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move to take from the Speaker's table the bill of the Senate (No. 463) entitled "An act for the relief of Mary Woodward;" which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Dawson moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him

to move to take from the Speaker's table the bill of the Senate (No. 265) entitled "An act for the relief of the captors of the frigate Philadelphia;" which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Albert G. Brown moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move to take from the Speaker's table the bill of the Senate (No. 586) entitled "An act to extend pre-emption rights to unsurveyed lands, and for other purposes;" which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Letcher moved, at 3 o'clock and 50 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn;

Pending which,

Mr. Addison White moved that when the House adjourns, it adjourn until Wednesday next; which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurred on the motion of Mr. Letcher;

And being put, it was decided in the affirmative.

The House accordingly adjourned until to-morrow at 11 o'clock a. m.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1853.

The following petition was laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Chandler: The petition of the Board of Trade of the city of Philadelphia, in the State of Pennsylvania, praying for the repeal of the law of August 31, 1852, relative to the delivery of certain ship letters; which was referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

The House resumed the consideration of the following resolution—heretofore reported from the Committee on Printing, and the further consideration of which was postponed until this day, viz:

Resolved, That the House Committee on Printing cause the maps accompanying the report of the Superintendent of the Coast Survey to be bound in quarto form, provided that the cost shall not exceed eighteen cents per volume; and that they also cause to be bound the maps accompanying the report of the Secretary of the Treasury on the trade of the British North American colonies in a separate volume, and style similar to the maps accompanying the report of Foster and Whitney, as published by the Senate, provided the cost shall not exceed twelve and a half cents per volume.

After debate,

Mr. Houston moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Will the House agree to the said resolution?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

So the said resolution was agreed to.

The Speaker having announced as the business next in order the bill of the House (No. 360) "establishing reciprocal trade with the British North American colonies upon certain conditions"—heretofore reported from the Committee on Commerce; the pending question being on the motion of Mr. George W. Jones to commit the same to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union,

The House resumed its consideration.

Mr. Sabine, by unanimous consent, submitted an amendment in the nature of a substitute for the amendment heretofore submitted by Mr. Fuller.

After debate, the morning hour having expired,

On motion of Mr. Stuart, the House proceeded to the consideration of business on the Speaker's table.

When

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a statement of the funds of the Chickasaw Indians, as required by the act of 20th April, 1836; which was laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

Also, a communication from Thomas Ap C. Jones, praying that the House will estop all *ex parte* proceedings of a criminating character against him, and that his letter and accompanying papers be referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs, with authority on the part of said committee to take testimony, &c.

The same having been read,

Mr. Bocock moved that it be referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs, and printed;

Pending which,

Mr. Stanley moved to amend the same by adding thereto the following, viz: "together with certain papers relating to the McCormick claim, steamer Edith, and the steam saw-mill;" which having been accepted by Mr. Bocock as a modification of his original motion,

The question was put, Will the House agree to the said motion as modified?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

The bill of the House (No. 157) "for the relief of Josiah P. Pilcher, late a private in company F, 2d Kentucky regiment volunteers, in the war with Mexico"—heretofore reported from the Senate, with sundry amendments—was taken up.

Ordered, That the said amendments be concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

The bill of the House (No. 146) "to regulate the fees and costs to be allowed clerks, marshals, and attorneys of the circuit and district courts of the United States, and for other purposes"—heretofore reported from the Senate, with sundry amendments—was next taken up.

The Speaker having stated the question to be on agreeing to the said amendments,

Mr. Isham G. Harris moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered; and, under the operation thereof, the said amendments were severally agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. McLanahan moved that the vote upon the said amendments be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Stuart submitted the following resolution; which was read, considered, and agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That all debate in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union on the bill of the House (No. 333) "making ap-

appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian department, and for fulfilling treaty stipulations, with various Indian tribes, for the year ending June 30, 1854," shall cease in two hours after the committee resume its consideration, (if the committee shall not sooner come to a conclusion upon the same;) and the committee shall then proceed to vote on such amendments as may be pending or offered to the same, and shall then report it to the House with such amendments as may have been agreed to by the committee.

Mr. Stuart moved that the vote by which the said resolution was agreed to be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Houston, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Bocock reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the bill of the House (No. 333) "making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian department, and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with various Indian tribes, for the year ending June 30, 1854;" and, H. R. 332. "An act making appropriations for the support of the Military Academy for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854," with the amendments of the Senate thereto, had directed him to report the latter recommending concurrence in some of the said amendments, and disagreement to others, and that the committee had come to no resolution on the former.

The House then proceeded to the consideration of the Senate amendments to the said bill, No. 332.

When

The *first* and *third* amendments were agreed to, and the *second* and *fourth* were disagreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Stanly moved that the vote be reconsidered by which the letter of Thomas Ap C. Jones and certain other papers were ordered to be printed; which motion was agreed to.

The question then recurring on the motion to print,

Mr. Stanly moved to amend the said motion so that it would read as follows, viz: "That the letter of Thomas Ap C. Jones, and the papers accompanying the same, together with all the papers from the Senate relating to the claim of McCormick, steamer Edith, &c., &c.—heretofore, upon motion of Mr. Stanly, referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs—be printed;" which motion was agreed to.

The said motion, as amended, was then agreed to.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a resolution of the following title, viz: S. 79. "A resolution in amendment of a joint resolution relating to the duties of inspectors of steamers, approved the 7th day of January, 1853;" in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then,

On motion of Mr. George W. Jones,

At 3 o'clock and 50 minutes p. m. the House adjourned until tomorrow at 11 o'clock a. m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1853.

The following petitions were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Beale: The petition of citizens of the State of Virginia, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Mud Bridge, in Cabell county, to Boon court-house, in said State.

By Mr. Bell: The petition of citizens of the State of Ohio, remonstrating against the transportation and delivery of the United States mails on Sunday.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Thompson Campbell: The petition of Deborah A. Pike, widow of a deceased soldier, praying for an extension of her pension; which was referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. Bell: The petition of citizens of the State of Ohio, praying for the distribution of the surplus revenue among the States, under the act of June, 1836; which was referred to the Committee of Ways and Means;

Also, the petition of citizens of the State of Ohio, praying for a modification of the bounty-land law of 1850; which was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Haven: The petition of Charles H. Wilgus, presenting additional evidence upon his claim upon the government for indemnity for losses sustained by him by means of the army of the United States at Tampico, in Mexico; which was referred to the Committee of Claims.

By Mr. Haven: The petition of Sanford Jacobs, praying for relief; which was referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

By Mr. Cartter: The petition of citizens of the State of Ohio, praying that measures be taken to secure to all American citizens the freedom of conscience in all nations of the earth; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. Preston King: The petition of citizens of the State of New York, praying for the repeal or modification of the steamboat law of last session of the present Congress; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. Cartter: The petition of William Emmons, administrator of Uri Emmons, deceased, praying for the revival and extension of said Uri Emmons's patent; which was referred to the Committee on Patents.

Mr. George W. Jones, from the joint committee heretofore appointed to wait upon the President of the United States elect and inform him of his election, reported that the committee had performed the duty assigned them, and that the President elect, in signifying his acceptance of the office to which he had been chosen by the people, said: "You will please to communicate to the respective houses of Congress my acceptance of the trust confided to me, and at the same time express to them my grateful acknowledgments, and assure them of the deep sense of obligation with which I regard this manifestation of confidence on the part of my countrymen. It will be my earnest endeavor to prove that their confidence has not been misplaced."

The House resumed, as the business first in order, the consideration of the bill of the House (No. 360) "establishing reciprocal trade with the British North American colonies upon certain conditions"—heretofore reported from the Committee on Commerce; the pending question being on the motion of Mr. George W. Jones to commit the same to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union;

After debate, the morning hour having expired,

Mr. Stuart moved that the House proceed to the consideration of the business on the Speaker's table;

Pending which,

Mr. George W. Jones moved that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union;

Pending which,

Mr. Preston King, from the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the House (No. 326) "to prevent frauds upon the Treasury of the United States," made the following report, viz:

"That having met, have, after a full and free conference, agreed to recommend, and do recommend, to their respective houses as follows, to wit:

"That the House recede from their disagreement to the amendment proposed by the Senate to the 2d section of the bill, and agree to the following amendment, to wit: Insert after the word 'claims,' in the 16th line, 2d page, these words:

"Or shall receive any gratuity, or any share of or interest in any claim from any claimant against the United States, with intent to aid or assist, or in consideration of having aided or assisted, in the prosecution of such claim.'

"And that the House also recede from their disagreement to the amendment proposed by the Senate to the 3d section of the bill, and agree to the 3d section with the following amendment, to wit: Insert at the end of line 14, page 3, the words:

"Or shall receive any gratuity, or any share of or interest in any claim from any claimant against the United States, with intent to aid or assist, or in consideration of having aided or assisted, in the prosecution of such claim.'

"And that the bill be further amended by striking out of the 7th section these words at the end thereof:

"And every offence against the provisions of this act shall be a misdemeanor."

PRESTON KING,
ANDREW JOHNSON,
CHARLES CHAPMAN,

Managers on the part of the House.

GEO. E. BADGER,
A. P. BUTLER,
J. A. BAYARD,

Managers on the part of the Senate.

The same having been read,

Mr. Preston King moved the previous question; which was seconded,

and the main question ordered and put, viz: Will the House agree to the said report?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

So the said report was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickens, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have agreed to the amendment of this House to the bill of the Senate (No. 125) entitled "An act for the relief of Mary W. Thompson," with an amendment; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

The question was then put on the motion heretofore submitted by Mr. George W. Jones, viz: That the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

And it was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas 91
Nays 84

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
John Allison
William S. Ashe
Leander Babcock
Thomas M. Bibighaus
Thomas S. Bocock
John Bragg
Samuel Brenton
Albert G. Brown
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
Joseph P. Caldwell
John S. Caskie
Elijah W. Chastain
William M. Churchwell
Lincoln Clark
Sherrard Clemens
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
William F. Colcock
William Cullom
John R. J. Daniel
John L. Dawson
Milo M. Dimmick
Cyrus L. Dunham
Charles Durkee
Orlando B. Ficklin
John G. Floyd
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Willard P. Hall

Mr. William T. Hamilton
Isham G. Harris
Sampson W. Harris
Solomon G. Haven
Thomas A. Hendricks
Harry Hibbard
Alexander R. Holladay
George S. Houston
Volney E. Howard
John W. Howe
William F. Hunter
Willard Ives
Joseph W. Jackson
Andrew Johnson
James Johnson
Robert W. Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George W. Jones
J. Glancy Jones
Preston King
William H. Kurtz
John Letcher
John C. Mason
Joseph W. McCorkle
Fayette McMullen
John McNair
John McQueen
Richard K. Meade
John S. Millson
John Moore

Mr. James T. Morehead
Charles Murphy
William Murray
Benjamin D. Nabers
James L. Orr
David Outlaw
Charles H. Peaselee
Ebenezer J. Penniman
John S. Phelps
Paulus Powell
William A. Richardson
Reuben Robie
John L. Robinson
John H. Savage
Marius Schoonmaker
Richardson Scurry
Charles Skelton
William R. Smith
Alexander H. Stephens
James W. Stone
Nathan T. Stratton
Charles Sweetser
Norton S. Townshend
Abraham W. Venable
Daniel Wallace
William T. Ward
Albert G. Watkins
Addison White
Isaac Wildrick
Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. William Aiken
Charles Allen
John Appleton
William Appleton
Thomas H. Bayly
Nelson Barrere
Thomas Bartlett, jr.
Hiram Bell
Richard I. Bowie

Mr. Obadiah Bowne
John H. Boyd
George Briggs
James Brooks
George H. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
Lewis D. Campbell
Charles Chapman
Joseph S. Cottman

Mr. Carlton B. Curtis
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
Gilbert Dean
David T. Disney
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Ben. C. Eastman
Alfred P. Edgerton

Mr. Francis B. Fay
 Graham N. Fitch
 Thomas B. Florence
 Thomas J. D. Fuller
 James Gamble
 Meredith P. Gentry
 Joshua R. Giddings
 Alfred Gilmore
 Robert Goodenow
 John Z. Goodrich
 Galusha A. Grow
 Alexander Harper
 Emanuel B. Hart
 John H. H. Haws
 Bernhart Henn
 Thomas M. Howe
 Thomas Y. How, jr.
 Colin M. Ingersoll
 George G. King

Mr. Joseph H. Kuhns
 Edward P. Little
 James Lockhart
 Daniel Mace
 Horace Mann
 Moses McDonald
 James X. McLanahan
 James Meacham
 Richard S. Molony
 Henry D. Moore
 Eben Newton
 Samuel W. Parker
 Alexander G. Penn
 Jared Perkins
 Gilchrist Porter
 William Preston
 Rodman M. Price
 Isaac Reed
 George Read Riddle

Mr. John Robbins, jr.
 Joseph Russell
 William A. Sackett
 Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
 Origen S. Seymour
 William W. Snow
 Edward Stanly
 Frederick P. Stanton
 Richard H. Stanton
 Abr'm P. Stephens
 Charles E. Stuart
 John L. Taylor
 Robert Toombs
 Amos Tuck
 Thomas Y. Walsh
 Israel Washburn, jr.
 John Welch
 John Wells
 Christopher H. Williams.

So the motion was agreed to; and

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Bocock reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the bill of the House (No. 333) "making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian department, and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with various Indian tribes, for the year ending June 30, 1854," had come to no resolution thereon.

Mr. Clark moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move that the bill of the Senate (No. 242) entitled "An act to regulate the terms of the district court of the United States for the district of Iowa" be taken from the Speaker's table;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Jenkins,

At 4 o'clock p. m. the House adjourned until to-morrow at 11 o'clock a. m.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1853.

The following petitions were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Mace: The petition of citizens of the State of Indiana, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Midway, a point on the Indianapolis and Lafayette railroad, to Michigantown, in said State.

By Mr. Doty: The petition of citizens of the State of Wisconsin, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Portage city, in Columbia county, via Beaver Creek, &c., to Stevens's Point, in Portage county, in said State.

By Mr. Eastman: The petition of eighty citizens of Lafayette county, in the State of Wisconsin, praying for the reduction of ocean postage.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. John G. Davis: The petition of citizens of the State of In-

diana, praying for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a railroad from Springfield, Illinois, to Indianapolis, Indiana; which was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. ———: The petition of John Moore, praying for relief.

By Mr. Hart: The petition of James A. Murray, praying for indemnity on account of French spoliations committed prior to 1800.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee of Claims.

By Mr. David L. Seymour: The petition of citizens of the State of New York, remonstrating against the removal of the custom-house from Plattsburg to Rouse's Point, in said State;

Also, the petition of citizens of the State of New York, praying for the establishment of a mail-route direct from the city of New York to Washington city.

Also, the petition of citizens of the State of New York, praying that measures be taken to secure to American citizens the right of conscience in foreign countries.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. Cartter: The petition of Horace H. Day and Henry O'Reilly, praying for an amendment to the patent laws; which was referred to the Committee on Patents.

The regular order of business having been called for, the Speaker announced as first in order the motion submitted by Mr. Clark, and pending when the House adjourned on yesterday, to suspend the rules, so as to enable him to move that the bill of the Senate (No. 242) entitled "An act to regulate the terms of the district court of the United States for the district of Iowa" be taken from the Speaker's table.

And the question being put, it was decided in the affirmative—two-thirds voting in favor thereof.

On motion of Mr. Clark, the said bill was then taken up, and read a first and second time.

Pending the question on its third reading,

Mr. Haven moved to amend the same by striking out the third section; which motion was agreed to.

The question again recurring on its third reading,

Mr. Haven moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put.

No quorum having voted on the third reading of the bill,

Mr. Stuart moved, at 11 o'clock and 20 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn.

And the question being put,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 4
Nays..... 121

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. George H. Busby
Daniel Mace

Mr. Richardson Scurrey

Mr. Addison White.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
William Aiken

Mr. John Allison
Leander Babcock

Mr. James M. H. Beale
Thomas M. Bibbians

Mr. John C. Breckinridge	Mr. Augustus P. Hascall	Mr. William Murray
George Briggs	Solomon G. Haven	Benjamin D. Nabers
George H. Brown	William Hebard	Eben Newton
E. Carrington Cabell	Thomas A. Hendricks	James L. Orr
Joseph Cable	Bernhart Henn	David Outlaw
Joseph P. Caldwell	Harry Hibbard	Samuel W. Parker
David K. Cartter	Alexander R. Holladay	Alexander G. Penn
John S. Caskie	Jerediah Horsford	Jared Perkins
Joseph R. Chandler	George S. Houston	John S. Phelps
Charles Chapman	John W. Howe	Gilchrist Porter
Lincoln Clark	Thomas Y. How, jr.	Paulus Powell
Chauncey F. Cleveland	William F. Hunter	Isaac Reed
Thomas L. Clingman	Collin M. Ingersoll	William A. Richardson
Williamson B. W. Cobb	Joseph W. Jackson	George Read Riddle
William F. Colcock	Timothy Jenkins	John Robbins, jr.
Joseph S. Cottman	Andrew Johnson	Reuben Robie
Carlton B. Curtis	John Johnson	John L. Robinson
John R. J. Daniel	George W. Jones	Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
John F. Darby	J. Glancy Jones	Marius Schoonmaker
George T. Davis	George G. King	Origen S. Seymour
John G. Davis	Preston King	Charles Skelton
John L. Dawson	Joseph H. Kuhns	Frederick P. Stanton
Gilbert Dean	William H. Kurtz	Abr'm P. Stephens
Milo M. Dimmick	John Letcher	Alexander H. Stephens
Orlando B. Ficklin	Edward P. Little	James W. Stone
Graham N. Fitch	Frederick S. Martin	Charles E. Stuart
Thomas B. Florence	John C. Mason	Charles Sweetser
John G. Floyd	Moses McDonald	John L. Taylor
Thomas J. D. Fuller	James K. McLanahan	Robert Toombs
James Gamble	John McNair	Norton S. Townshend
James M. Gaylord	John McQueen	Abraham W. Venable
Meredith P. Gentry	James Meacham	Daniel Wallace
Joshua E. Giddings	Richard K. Meade	Thomas Y. Walsh
Frederick W. Green	John G. Miller	Albert G. Watkins
Ben. Edwards Grey	John S. Millson	John Welch
Galusha A. Grow	Richard S. Molony	Christopher H. Williams
Willard P. Hall	John Moore	Joseph A. Woodward
Alexander Harper	James T. Morehead	Richard Yates.
Emanuel B. Hart		

So the House refused to adjourn.

The question was again put, under the operation of the previous question, Shall the bill be read a third time?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the amendment of the House thereto.

On motion of Mr. Cabell, by unanimous consent, the bill of the Senate (No. 125) "for the relief of Mary W. Thompson" was next taken up.

The Speaker stated the question to be on agreeing to the amendments of the Senate to the amendments of the House to the said bill.

And being put, it was decided in the affirmative.

So the said amendments to the amendments were agreed to.

Ordered, That the clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a bill of the following title, viz:

S. 639. An act providing for administering the oath of office to William R. King, Vice President elect of the United States of America; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The Senate insist upon their amendments disagreed to by the House to the bill of the House (No. 332) "making appropriations for the support of the Military Academy for the year ending June 30, 1853," and ask for the appointment of a committee of conference on the said disagreeing votes of the two houses; and the Senate have appointed Mr. Pearce, Mr. Shields, and Mr. Bayard the said committee on their part.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Hibbard, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That the House of Representatives insist upon their disagreement to the 2d and 4th amendments of the Senate to the said bill of the House, (No. 332,) and agree to the appointment of a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the said amendments.

Ordered, That Mr. Hibbard, Mr. Outlaw, and Mr. McMullen be appointed the said committee on the part of the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

The House then resumed, as the business next in order, the consideration of the bill of the House (No. 360) "establishing reciprocal trade with the British North American colonies upon certain conditions;" the pending question being on the motion of Mr. George W. Jones to commit the same to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

After debate,

Mr. Stuart moved the previous question;

Pending which,

Mr. Orr moved that the bill and pending amendments be laid on the table.

And the question being put,

It was decided in the negative,	{ Yeas	63
	{ Nays	111

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. William Aiken
John Allison
William S. Ashe
Thomas H. Averett
David J. Bailey
Nelson Barrere
Hiram Bell
Thomas M. Bibighaus
Richard I. Bowie
George H. Brown
Joseph P. Caldwell
Sherrard Clemens
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
William F. Colcock
Carlton B. Curtis
Milo M. Dimmick
Alfred Dockery
Presley Ewing
Orlando B. Ficklin
Henry M. Fuller

Mr. Thomas J. D. Fuller
James Gamble
Alexander Harper
George S. Houston
John W. Howe
Thomas M. Howe
William F. Hunter
Joseph W. Jackson
George W. Jones
J. Glancy Jones
Joseph H. Kuhns
William H. Kurtz
J. Aristide Landry
John Letcher
Frederick S. Martin
Moses McDonald
Fayette McMullen
John McQueen
James Meacham
John Moore
James T. Morehead

Mr. Eben Newton
James L. Orr
David Outlaw
Jared Perkins
John S. Phelps
Isaac Reed
George Read Riddle
Richardson Scurry
Charles Skelton
William R. Smith
Frederick P. Stanton
Alexander H. Stephens
Nathan T. Stratton
James F. Strother
Daniel Wallace
Israel Washburn, jr.
Albert G. Watkins
John Welch
Addison White
Christopher H. Williams
Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. William Appleton
Leander Babcock
James M. H. Beale
Henry Bennett
Thomas S. Bocoock
Obadiah Bowne
John H. Boyd
John C. Breckinridge
Samuel Brenton
George Briggs
James Brooks
George H. Busby
E. Carrington Cabell
Joseph Cable
Thompson Campbell
David K. Cartter
Charles Chapman
William M. Churchwell
Lincoln Clark
Chauncey F. Cleveland
Joseph S. Cottman
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
David T. Disney
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Cyrus L. Dunham
Ben. C. Eastman
Alfred P. Edgerton
Henry A. Edmondson
Francis B. Fay
Graham N. Fish
Thomas B. Florence
John G. Floyd

Mr. James M. Gaylord
Joshua R. Giddings
Alfred Gilmore
John Z. Goodrich
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Ben. Edwards Grey
Galusha A. Grow
Willard P. Hall
William T. Hamilton
Isaham G. Harris
Emanuel B. Hart
John H. H. Haws
Augustus P. Hascall
Solomon G. Haven
Thomas A. Hendricks
Bernhart Henn
Harry Hibbard
Alexander R. Holladay
Jerediah Horsford
Volney E. Howard
Thomas Y. How, jr.
Collin M. Ingersoll
Willard Ives
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
James Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George G. King
Preston King
Edward P. Little
James Lockhart
Horace Mann
John C. Mason
James X. McLanahan
Richard K. Meade
John G. Miller

Mr. John S. Millson
Richard S. Molony
Charles Murphy
William Murray
Benjamin D. Nabers
Samuel W. Parker
Charles H. Peaslee
Alexander G. Penn
William H. Polk
Gilchrist Porter
Paulus Powell
William Preston
Rodman M. Price
William A. Richardson
John Robbins, jr.
Reuben Robie
John L. Robinson
Thomas Ross
Joseph Russell
William A. Sackett
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
Marius Schoonmaker
Origen S. Seymour
Edward Stanley
Abr'm P. Stephens
Louis St. Martin
Charles E. Stuart
Josiah Sutherland
Charles Sweetser
John L. Taylor
Robert Toombs
Norton S. Townshend
Abraham W. Venable
Thomas Y. Walsh
John A. Wilcox
Isaac Wildrick
Richard Yates.

So the House refused to lay the bill and pending amendments on the table.

The question then recurring on the demand for the previous question, it was seconded.

Pending the question on ordering the main question to be put,

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Bocoock reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the bill of the House (No. 333) "making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian department, and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with various Indian tribes, for the year ending June 30, 1854;" the bill of the Senate (No. 59) entitled "An act to provide compensation to such persons as may be designated by the Secretary of the Treasury to receive and keep the public money, under the 15th section of the act of August 6, 1846, for the additional services required under that act;" and the bill of the House (No. 349) "making appropriations for the transportation of the United States mail, by ocean steamers and otherwise, during the fiscal

year ending June 30, 1854," had directed him to report the two former with amendments, and the latter without amendment.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a bill of the following title, viz:

S. 640. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to license yachts, and for other purposes," so that said Secretary be authorized to grant registers as well as licenses; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Wildrick, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, bills and a joint resolution of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 326. An act to prevent frauds upon the Treasury of the United States;

H. R. 157. An act for the relief of Josiah P. Pilcher, late a private in company F, 2d Kentucky regiment volunteers, and for other purposes;

H. R. 22. Joint resolution for the relief of J. P. Converse, of Ohio;

H. R. 146. An act to regulate the fees and costs to be allowed clerks, marshals, and attorneys of the circuit and district courts of the United States, and for other purposes; when

The Speaker signed the same.

The bill of the Senate (No. 59) entitled "An act to provide compensation to such persons as may be designated by the Secretary of the Treasury to receive and keep the public money, under the 15th section of the act of 6th August, 1846, for the additional services required under that act"—reported from the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, with an amendment—was taken up.

The Speaker having stated the question to be on agreeing to the said amendment,

Mr. George W. Jones moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Will the House agree to the said amendment?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

Under the further operation of the previous question, the bill was ordered to be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the said amendment.

Mr. George W. Jones moved that the vote by which the said bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was disagreed to.

The bill of the House (No. 349) "making appropriations for the transportation of the United States mail, by ocean steamers and otherwise, during the fiscal year ending the 30th of June, 1854"—reported from the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, without amendment—was next taken up.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read a third time.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Mr. Phelps moved that the vote by which the said bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

The House then proceeded to the consideration of the bill of the House (No. 333) "making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian department, and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with various Indian tribes, for the year ending June 30, 1854"—reported from the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, with sundry amendments—was next taken up.

The Speaker having stated the question to be on agreeing to the said amendments,

The 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, 5th, 6th, and 7th amendments were severally read and agreed to.

The *eighth* amendment was then read, as follows, viz:

Insert at the end of the 698th line:

"For payment in full of all claim under that part of the treaty of 1831 which has relation to the grant of one hundred thousand acres of land in fee-simple to the then Ohio Shawnees, sixty-six thousand two hundred and forty-six dollars and twenty-three cents: Provided, That the receipt therefor shall specify that it is in full satisfaction of such claim."

And the question being put, Will the House agree thereto?

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas	82
{ Nays	78

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. Charles Allen	Mr. Thomas B. Florence	Mr. Rodman M. Price
William S. Ashe	John D. Freeman	Isaac Reed
Nelson Barrere	James M. Gaylord	John Robbins, jr.
Hiram Bell	Joshua R. Giddings	John L. Robinson
Thomas M. Bibbhausa	John Z. Goodrich	William A. Sackett
Thomas S. Bocock	Willis A. Gorman	John H. Savage
Richard I. Bowie	Frederick W. Green	Ab'm M. Schermerhorn
Obadiah Bowne	Willard P. Hall	John L. Schoolcraft
Samuel Rrenton	Alexander Harper	Marius Schoonmaker
George Briggs	Thomas A. Hendricks	Origen S. Seymour
George H. Brown	Alexander R. Holladay	Edward Stanly
E. Carrington Cabell	J. Aristide Landry	Benjamin Stanton
Joseph Cable	Edward P. Little	Frederick P. Stanton
Lewis D. Campbell	James Lockhart	James W. Stone
Charles Chapman	Daniel Mace	Louis St. Martin
Chauncey F. Cleveland	Horace Mann	James F. Strother
Joseph S. Cottman	Joseph W. McCorkle	Charles Sweetser
William Cullom	Fayette McMullen	John L. Taylor
John F. Darby	Richard K. Meade	Norton S. Townshend
John G. Davis	John G. Miller	Henry S. Walbridge
David T. Disney	Benjamin D. Nabers	Thomas Y. Walsh
James Duane Doty	Edson B. Olds	Israel Washburn, jr.
James H. Duncan	Samuel W. Parker	Albert G. Watkins
Cyrus L. Dunham	Alexander G. Penn	John Welch
Charles Durkee	John S. Phelps	Addison White
Alfred P. Edgerton	Gilchrist Porter	Christopher H. Williams
Francis B. Fay	Paulus Powell	Richard Yates.
Graham N. Fitch		

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. William Aiken	Mr. William Appleton	Mr. James Brooks
John Allison	Leander Babcock	George H. Busby

Mr. Thompson Campbell
 Elijah W. Chaastain
 William M. Churchwell
 Lincoln Clark
 Sherrard Clemens
 Thomas L. Clingman
 Williamson R. W. Cobb
 William F. Colcock
 John R. J. Daniel
 John L. Dawson
 Gilbert Dean
 Milo M. Dimmick
 Ben. C. Eastman
 Henry A. Edmundson
 John G. Floyd
 Thomas J. D. Fuller
 James Gamble
 Alfred Gilmore
 Galusha A. Grow
 William T. Hamilton
 Isham G. Harris
 Emanuel B. Hart
 John H. H. Haws
 Augustus P. Hascall
 Solomon G. Haven

Mr. William Hebard
 Harry Hibbard
 George S. Houston
 Volney E. Howard
 John W. Howe
 Thomas M. Howe
 Thomas Y. How, jr.
 William F. Hunter
 Colin M. Ingersoll
 Willard Ives
 Joseph W. Jackson
 Timothy Jenkins
 James Johnson
 Daniel T. Jones
 George W. Jones
 J. Glancy Jones
 George G. King
 Preston King
 Joseph H. Kuhns
 William H. Kurtz
 John Letcher
 John C. Mason
 Moses McDonald
 James X. McLanahan

Mr. John McNair
 John McQueen
 John S. Millson
 Richard S. Molony
 John Moore
 James T. Morehead
 Charles Murphy
 William Murray
 James L. Orr
 David Outlaw
 Jared Perkins
 William Preston
 Reuben Robie
 Thomas Ross
 Richardson Scurry
 Charles Skelton
 Alexander H. Stephens
 Nathan T. Stratton
 Josiah Sutherland
 Abraham W. Venable
 Daniel Wallace
 John A. Wilcox
 Isaac Wildrick
 Joseph A. Woodward.

So the said amendment was agreed to.

All of the remaining amendments were then severally read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read a third time.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Mr. Houston moved that the vote by which the said bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Frederick P. Stanton, by unanimous consent, from the Committee on Naval Affairs, to whom was referred the resolution of the Senate (No. 23) "to provide for straightening the eastern boundary line of the naval hospital lands at New York," reported the same without amendment.

Ordered, That the said bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Olds, from the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads, by unanimous consent, reported a bill (No. 364) "to establish certain post-roads;" which was read a first and second time.

Pending the question on its engrossment,

Mr. Olds moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put.

The reading of the bill having been called for,

On motion of Mr. Gentry, (two-thirds voting in favor thereof,) the rule requiring its reading was suspended.

Mr. George W. Jones moved that the bill be laid on the table; which motion was disagreed to.

The question again recurring on its engrossment,

It was ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time.

Pending the question on its passage,

Mr. Alexander H. Stephens moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put.

Mr. Alexander H. Stephens moved, at 3 o'clock and 30 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question was then put, Shall the bill pass?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Mr. Olds moved that the vote by which the said bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Millson, by unanimous consent, from the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of Edward Box, reported a bill (No. 365) for his relief; which was read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read a third time.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

On motion of Mr. Gentry, the rules having been suspended for that purpose, the bill of the Senate (No. 429) entitled "An act for the relief of Benjamin S. Roberts" was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Pending the question on its third reading,

Mr. Clark moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put.

Mr. Hunter moved, at 3 o'clock and 50 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question was then put, Shall the bill be read a third time?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

The bill was accordingly read the third time.

Pending the question on its passage,

Mr. George W. Jones moved that the bill be laid on the table; which motion was disagreed to.

The question again recurred on its passage;

And being put, it was decided in the affirmative.

So the bill was passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Gentry moved that the vote by which the said bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Jenkins moved, at 3 o'clock and 52 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

Mr. Colcock moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move that the bill of the Senate (No. 547) entitled "An act authorizing the adjustment and payment of the claims of William Hazzard Wigg, deceased, for losses sustained by him during the war of the revolution," be taken from the Speaker's table;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Hart,

At 3 o'clock and 53 minutes p. m. the House adjourned until tomorrow at 11 o'clock a. m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1853.

The following petitions were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Gaylord: The petition of citizens of the State of Ohio, praying for the establishment of a mail-route from Newark to Portsmouth, in said State; which was referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. Wilcox: The petition of citizens of the State of New York, praying that the freedom of conscience to worship God shall be secured to American citizens in all foreign nations; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. Giddings: The petition of citizens of the State of Ohio, praying for the passage of the homestead bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Robbins, jr.: The petition of A. Boyd Hamilton, praying for relief on certain portions of his late contract for the public printing; which was referred to the Committee on Printing.

The Speaker, by unanimous consent, laid before the House a statement from the Hon. Edward Stanly in reference to the communication and accompanying papers of Thomas Ap C. Jones, which were laid before the House on Tuesday last and ordered to be printed.

The same having been read,

Mr. Gorman moved that it be laid on the table, and printed in connexion with the communication to which it refers;

Pending which,

Mr. Gorman moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put; and, under the operation thereof, the said motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Brenton, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That leave be granted for the withdrawal, from the files of the House, of the papers in the case of Samuel Brenton, for the purpose of reference to one of the executive departments.

The said papers were thereupon handed to Mr. Brenton.

On motion of Mr. Allison, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That leave be granted for the withdrawal, from the files of the House, of the papers in the case of Franklin Chase, for the purpose of reference to one of the executive departments.

The said papers were thereupon handed to Mr. Allison.

The regular order of business having been called for, the Speaker announced as first in order the motion submitted by Mr. Colcock, and pending when the House adjourned on yesterday, to suspend the rules, so as to enable him to move that the bill of the Senate (No. 547) entitled "An act authorizing the adjustment and payment of the claims of William Hazzard Wigg, deceased, for losses sustained by him during the war of the revolution," be taken from the Speaker's table;

And the question being put,

It was decided in the negative,	{ Yeas.....	93
	{ Nays.....	63

Two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. William Aiken	Mr. Thomas B. Florence	Mr. Charles H. Peaslee
Thomas H. Averett	John D. Freeman	Alexander G. Penn
David J. Bailey	Thomas J. D. Fuller	Gilchrist Porter
Thomas M. Bibighaus	James M. Gaylord	William Preston
Richard I. Bowle	Meredith P. Gentry	Rodman M. Price
Obadiah Bowne	Alfred Gilmore	William A. Richardson
John H. Boyd	Willis A. Gorman	George Read Riddle
John Bragg	Frederick W. Green	John Robbins, jr.
George Briggs	Ben. Edwards Grey	John L. Robinson
James Brooks	Emanuel B. Hart	Thomas Ross
Albert G. Brown	Bernhart Henn	John H. Savage
Armistead Burt	George S. Houston	Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
George H. Busby	Volney E. Howard	Richardson Scurry
E. Carrington Cabell	Thomas Y. How, jr.	Origen S. Seymour
Joseph P. Caldwell	Joseph W. Jackson	William R. Smith
Thompson Campbell	Robert W. Johnson	Edward Stanly
John S. Caskie	J. Glancy Jones	Frederick P. Stanton
Elijah W. Chastain	Joseph H. Kuhns	Richard H. Stanton
Lincoln Clark	William H. Kurtz	Abr'm P. Stephens
Sherrard Clemens	John Letcher	James W. Stone
Thomas L. Clingman	James Lockhart	Louis St. Martin
William F. Colcock	John C. Mason	James F. Strother
John R. J. Daniel	John McNair	Charles E. Stuart
John F. Darby	John McQueen	John L. Taylor
John G. Davis	Richard K. Meade	Daniel Wallace
John L. Dawson	John G. Miller	Thomas Y. Walsh
Gilbert Dean	Henry D. Moore	Albert G. Watkins
David T. Disney	John Moore	John A. Wilcox
Alfred Dockery	James T. Morehead	Christopher H. Williams
James Duane Doty	Benjamin D. Nabers	Joseph A. Woodward
Alfred P. Edgerton	James L. Orr	Richard Yates.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Charles Allen	Mr. Willard P. Hall	Mr. John S. Millsom
John Allison	William T. Hamilton	Richard S. Molony
Leander Babcock	Alexander Harper	William Murray
Samuel Brenton	Isham G. Harris	Eben Newton
Lorenzo Burrows	Solomon G. Haven	Samuel W. Parker
Joseph R. Chandler	William Hebard	Ebenezer J. Penniman
Charles Chapman	Jerediah Horsford	Jared Perkins
Chauncey F. Cleveland	John W. Howe	Isaac Reed
Williamson R. W. Cobb	Thomas M. Howe	Reuben Robie
James L. Conger	William F. Hunter	Marius Schoonmaker
George T. Davis	Willard Ives	Charles Skelton
Milo M. Dimmick	Timothy Jenkins	Benjamin Stanton
James H. Duncan	Andrew Johnson	Alexander H. Stephens
Charles Durkee	John Johnson	Nathan T. Stratton
Ben. C. Eastman	Daniel T. Jones	Josiah Sutherland
John G. Floyd	George W. Jones	Charles Sweetser
James Gamble	George G. King	Norton S. Townshend
Joshua R. Giddings	Preston King	Israel Washburn, jr.
Robert Goodenow	Edward P. Little	John Welch
John Z. Goodrich	Daniel Mace	John Wells
Galusha A. Grow	Horace Mann	Isaac Wildrick.

So the House refused to suspend the rules.

Mr. Houston moved that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union;

Pending which,

Mr. Gorman moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the private calendar; which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurred on the motion of Mr. Houston ;

And being put, it was decided in the affirmative.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union ; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Preston King reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the bill of the House (No. 342) "making appropriations for the naval service for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854," had come to no resolution thereon.

Mr. Stuart submitted the following resolution, viz :

Resolved, That all debate in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union on the bill of the House (No. 342) "making appropriations for the naval service for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854," shall cease in three hours after its consideration is resumed, (if the committee shall not sooner come to a conclusion upon the same ;) and the committee shall then proceed to vote on such amendments as may be pending or offered to the same, and shall then report it to the House with such amendments as may have been agreed to by the committee.

The same having been read,

Mr. Houston moved that it be amended by striking out "three hours," and inserting, in lieu thereof, "two hours ;"

Pending which,

Mr. Houston moved the previous question ; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz : Will the House agree to the said amendment ?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

Under the further operation of the previous question, the said resolution, as amended, was agreed to.

Mr. Stuart moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered ; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table ; which latter motion was agreed to.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickens, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a bill of the following title, viz :

S. 637. An act for the relief of Mrs. Sally T. B. Cochrane, widow of the late Lieutenant R. E. Cochrane, United States army ; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The Senate have agreed to the amendment of this House to the bill of the Senate (No 242) "to regulate the terms of the district court of the United States for the district of Iowa ;"

And have also agreed to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the House (No. 332) "making appropriations for the support of the Military Academy for the year ending June 30, 1854."

The President of the United States has notified the Senate that he did, on the 21st instant, approve and sign a bill of the following title, viz :

S. 271. An act amendatory of existing laws relative to the half-dollar, quarter-dollar, dime, and half-dime.

The Senate have also passed a bill of the following title, viz :

S. 642. Act to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to issue

a register to the bark "May," of Baltimore; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Wildrick, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, bills of the following titles, viz:

S. 242. An act to regulate the terms of the district court of the United States for the district of Iowa;

S. 125. An act for the relief of Mary W. Thompson, Mrs. Elizabeth V. Lomax, and Mrs. A. M. Dade; when

The Speaker signed the same.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Preston King reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the bill of the House (No. 342) "making appropriations for the naval service for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854," had come to no resolution thereon.

Mr. Letcher moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to present certain papers from the Secretary of the Interior, explanatory of allusions to his official conduct—heretofore made in the House;

Pending which,

Mr. Gaylord moved, at 3 o'clock and 50 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurring on the motion of Mr. Letcher,

Mr. Letcher withdrew the same.

Mr. Bragg moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move that the bill of the Senate (No. 586) entitled "An act to extend pre-emption rights to unsurveyed lands, and for other purposes," be taken from the Speaker's table;

Pending which,

Mr. Stanly claimed, as a question of privilege, that certain papers in explanation of the official conduct of the Secretary of the Interior (being the same papers which Mr. Letcher had just proposed to present) might be presented.

The Speaker decided that the said papers did not involve a question of privilege; and, on account of the pendency of the motion to suspend the rules, could not now be brought before the House.

And then,

On motion of Mr. George W. Jones,

At 4 o'clock and 7 minutes p. m. the House adjourned until tomorrow at 11 o'clock a. m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1853.

The following petitions and resolutions were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Henn: Joint resolution of the legislature of the State of Iowa, praying Congress to remove certain restrictions contained in the act granting lands to aid in the improvement of the Des Moines river; which was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Also, joint resolution of the legislature of the State of Iowa, praying that the northern line of the "half-breed tract" may be surveyed and established; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Brooks: The petition of citizens of the State of New York, praying aid in the purchase of J. P. Whitman's invention for preserving life on vessels at sea; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

The proposition submitted by Mr. Stanly, and pending when the House adjourned on yesterday, and claimed by him to be a question of privilege, viz: "to present certain papers from the Secretary of the Interior, explanatory of his official conduct in reference to a subject heretofore alluded to in the House," having been withdrawn by him,

The said papers were, by unanimous consent, read.

The regular order of business having been called for, the Speaker announced, as first in order, the motion submitted by Mr. Bragg, and pending at the adjournment on yesterday, to suspend the rules, so as to enable him to move that the bill of the Senate (No. 586) entitled "An act to extend pre-emption rights to unsurveyed lands, and for other purposes," be taken from the Speaker's table.

And the question being put,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas	104
{ Nays	59

Two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. William Aiken
 William S. Ashe
 Thomas H. Averett
 David J. Bailey
 Thomas H. Bayly
 Nelson Barrere
 Thomas Bartlett, jr.
 Hiram Bell
 Richard I. Bowie
 John H. Boyd
 John Bragg
 Samuel Brenton
 George Briggs
 Albert G. Brown
 George H. Brown
 George H. Busby
 Joseph Cable
 Thompson Campbell
 David K. Cartter
 John S. Caskie
 Joseph R. Chandler
 Elijah W. Chastain
 Lincoln Clark
 Sherrard Clemens
 Williamson R. W. Cobb
 James L. Conger
 Joseph S. Cottman
 John R. J. Daniel
 John F. Darby
 John G. Davis
 John L. Dawson
 David T. Disney
 James Duane Doty
 James H. Duncan
 Charles Durkee

Mr. Ben. C. Eastman
 Alfred P. Edgerton
 Henry A. Edmundson
 Orlando B. Ficklin
 Graham N. Fitch
 Thomas B. Florence
 John D. Freeman
 Thomas J. D. Fuller
 Alfred Gilmore
 Frederick W. Green
 Ben. Edwards Grey
 Galusha A. Grow
 Willard P. Hall
 William T. Hamilton
 Isham G. Harris
 Sampson W. Harris
 Bernhart Henn
 Harry Hibbard
 Alexander R. Holladay
 George S. Houston
 William F. Hunter
 Joseph W. Jackson
 Andrew Johnson
 John Johnson
 Robert W. Johnson
 George W. Jones
 J. Glancy Jones
 William H. Kurtz
 J. Aristide Landry
 John Letcher
 Daniel Mace
 Joseph W. McCorkle
 Moses McDonald
 John McNair
 John McQueen

Mr. Richard K. Meade
 John G. Miller
 Richard S. Molony
 Henry D. Moore
 John Moore
 James T. Morehead
 Charles Murphy
 Benjamin D. Nabers
 James L. Orr
 Samuel W. Parker
 Charles H. Peaslee
 Alexander G. Penn
 John S. Phelps
 Gilchrist Porter
 William A. Richardson
 George Read Riddle
 John Robbins, jr.
 John L. Robinson
 Charles Skelton
 William R. Smith
 Benjamin Stanton
 Frederick P. Stanton
 Richard H. Stanton
 Abr'm P. Stephens
 James W. Stone
 Louis St. Martin
 John L. Taylor
 Norton S. Townshend
 Thomas Y. Walsh
 Albert G. Watkins
 John Welch
 Addison White
 Christopher H. Williams
 Richard Yates.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
John Allison
John Appleton
William Appleton
Leander Babcock
Obadiah Bowne
James Brooks
Lorenzo Burrows
Joseph P. Caldwell
Charles Chapman
Chauncey F. Cleveland
Thomas L. Clingman
William F. Colcock
Gilbert Dean
Alfred Dockery
Alexander Evans
Francis B. Fay
James Gamble
Joshua R. Giddings
Robert Goodenow

Mr. Emanuel B. Hart
Augustus P. Hascall
Solomon G. Haven
William Hebard
Jerediah Horsford
Volney E. Howard
John W. Howe
Thomas M. Howe
Thomas Y. How, jr.
Willard Ives
Timothy Jenkins
Daniel T. Jones
George G. King
Preston King
Joseph H. Kuhns
Edward P. Little
Horace Mann
Frederick S. Martin
Fayette McMullen
John S. Millson

Mr. William Murray
Eben Newton
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Reuben Robie
William A. Sackett
Marius Schoonmaker
Richardson Scurry
Origen S. Seymour
Edward Stanly
Alexander H. Stephens
Nathan T. Stratton
Josiah Sutherland
Charles Sweetser
Robert Toombs
Henry S. Walbridge
Israel Washburn, jr.
John Wells
Isaac Wildrick
Joseph A. Woodward.

So the House refused to suspend the rules.

Mr. Wildrick, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, bills and a joint resolution of the following titles, viz :

S. 429. An act for the relief of Benjamin S. Roberts ;

S. 59. An act to provide compensation to such persons as may be designated by the Secretary of the Treasury to receive and keep the public money, under the 15th section of the act of August 6, 1846, for the additional services required under that act ;

S. 23. A resolution for straightening the eastern boundary line of the naval hospital lands at New York ; when

The Speaker signed the same.

Mr. Hibbard, from the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the House (No. 332) "making appropriations for the support of the Military Academy for the year ending June 30, 1854," submitted the following report, viz :

"That the committee had met, and, after full and free conference, had agreed to recommend, and do recommend, that the Senate recede from their *second* and *fourth* amendments to the said bill."

HARRY HIBBARD,
DAVID OUTLAW,
FAYETTE McMULLEN,

Managers on the part of the House.

J. A. PEARCE,
JAMES SHIELDS,
J. A. BAYARD,

Managers on the part of the Senate.

The same having been read,

The question was put, Will the House agree thereto?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Houston moved that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union;

Pending which,

Mr. Edgerton moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House; which motion was disagreed to.

The question was then put on the motion of Mr. Houston; and it was decided in the affirmative.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Preston King reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the bill of the House (No. 342) "making appropriations for the naval service for the year ending June 30, 1854," had directed him to report the same with sundry amendments.

The Speaker having stated the question to be on agreeing to the said amendments,

Mr. Houston moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put.

Mr. Price moved, at 4 o'clock and 10 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The *first* amendment was then read, and agreed to.

Mr. McMullen moved, at 4 o'clock and 13 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The *second* and *third* amendments were then severally read, and agreed to.

Mr. Cleveland moved, at 4 o'clock and 15 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The 4th, 5th, and 6th amendments were then severally read, and agreed to.

Mr. Walsh moved, at 4 o'clock and 17 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The remaining amendments were then severally read, and agreed to; and, under the further operation of the previous question, the said bill ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Mr. Houston moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Fay, by unanimous consent,

Mr. Duncan, from the Committee on Commerce, reported a bill (No. 366) "authorizing the select-men of the town of Chelsea, in the State of Massachusetts, to lay out and make a way on lands of the United States in said town;" which was read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed, and read a third time.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Mr. Walsh moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable the Committee on Invalid Pensions to report the bill of the Senate (No. 227) entitled "An act for the relief of Frances E. Baden;"

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. McMullen,

At 4 o'clock and 25 minutes p. m. the House adjourned until Monday next at 11 o'clock a. m.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1853.

The following petitions were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Walsh: The petition of citizens of the State of New Jersey, praying for the construction of a railroad upon an air line for the transportation of the United States mail from New York city to Washington city; which was referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. John Moore: Additional evidence in the claim of the widow of Captain Timothy Newman, deceased; which was referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. Abercrombie: The petition of citizens of the State of Alabama, praying for the removal of the land office from Sparta to Elba.

By Mr. Ross: The petition of citizens of the State of Pennsylvania, praying for a modification of the bounty-land law of 1850.

Ordered, That said petitions be referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Giddings: The petition of Edward D. Chapman—heretofore presented February 4, 1850; which was referred to the Committee on Private Land Claims.

By Mr. Walsh: The petition of citizens of Baltimore, in the State of Maryland, praying that the line of steamers between New York and Bremen be put upon the same footing as the steamers of the Collins line; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. Henry M. Fuller: The petition of A. M. Van Nostrand, late acting purser of the San Francisco station, praying that the accounting officers of the treasury may be authorized to credit him with any balance that may be found due from him to the United States; which was referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

By Mr. Durkee: The petition of citizens and the memorial of the legislature of the State of Wisconsin, praying for the passage of the homestead bill; which were referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Giddings: The petitions of citizens of the State of New York, praying for an amendment of the constitution in relation to the election of President and Vice President of the United States, and in relation to a financial or fiscal institution; which remain on the table.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton, by unanimous consent, the bill of the Senate (No. 642) entitled "An act to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to issue a register to the bark 'May,' of Baltimore," was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the said bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Hamilton moved that the vote by which the said bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Duncan, by unanimous consent, from the Committee on Commerce, reported a bill (No. 367) "to authorize the issuing of a register to the brig "Boundary;" which was read a first and second time.

Pending the question on its engrossment,

Mr. Brooks moved to amend the same by adding thereto the following as an additional section, viz:

"SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That the owners of the steamboat 'Roger Williams' be, and they are hereby, authorized to change the name of the said boat to that of 'El Paraguay;' and that the owners of the propeller 'Ontario' be, and they are hereby, authorized to change the name of the said propeller to the 'Carrier Pigeon.'*"

And the question being put, Will the House agree thereto?

It was decided in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the bill be engrossed, and read a third time.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

The title of the said bill having been read,

On motion of Mr. Duncan,

Ordered, That the same be amended by adding thereto the following: "And to change the names of the steamer Roger Williams and the propeller Ontario."

And the said title, as amended, was then agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the said bill.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickens, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a bill of this House of the following title, viz:

H. R. 336. A bill making appropriations for the support of the army for the year ending June 30, 1854, with sundry amendments; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Houston, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That the said bill, (H. R. 336,) with the amendments of the Senate thereto, be committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. Dockery, by unanimous consent, submitted the following resolution; which was read, and, by unanimous consent, considered and agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That the President communicate to this House, if not incompatible with the public interest, copies of all the correspondence which has taken place between this government and our minister at Madrid, and between the latter and the Spanish government, on the subject of the several expeditions by adventurers from the shores of the United States against the island of Cuba, and the capture, punishment, and release of all the prisoners in any way connected therewith.

The regular order of business having been called for, the Speaker announced as first in order the motion submitted by Mr. Walsh, and pending when the House adjourned on Saturday last, to suspend the rules, so as to enable the Committee on Invalid Pensions to report the bill of the Senate (No. 227) entitled "An act for the relief of Frances E. Baden."

And the question being put,

It was decided in the affirmative—two-thirds voting in favor thereof. And thereupon,

Mr. Martin, from the said committee, reported the same without amendment.

Ordered, That the said bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Albert G. Brown, by unanimous consent, the bill of the Senate (No. 586) entitled "An act to extend pre-emption rights to unsurveyed lands, and for other purposes," was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Pending the question on its third reading,

Mr. Albert G. Brown submitted the following amendment, in the nature of a substitute therefor, viz:

Strike out after the enacting clause and insert—

"That the pre-emption laws of the United States as they now exist be, and they are hereby, extended over the alternate reserved sections of public lands along the lines of all the railroads in the United States wherever public lands have been, or may be, granted by acts of Congress; and that it shall be the privilege of the persons residing on any of said reserved lands to pay for the same in soldiers' bounty-land warrants, estimated at a dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, or in gold and silver, or both together, in preference to any other person, and at any time before the same shall be offered for sale at auction: Provided, That no person shall be entitled to the benefit of this act who has not settled and improved, or shall not settle and improve, such lands prior to the final allotment of the alternate sections to such railroads by the General Land Office: And provided further, That the price to be paid shall in all cases be \$2 50 per acre, or such other minimum price as is now fixed by law, or may be fixed, upon lands hereafter granted; and no one person shall have the right of pre-emption to more than one hundred and sixty acres."

The same having been read,

Mr. Frederick P. Stanton moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Will the House agree to the said amendment?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

Under the further operation of the previous question, the said bill was ordered to be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the said amendment.

Mr. Albert G. Brown moved that the vote by which the said bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Hall reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 335) "to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for

the service of the fiscal year ending the 30th of June, 1853," had come to no resolution thereon.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed bills of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 184. An act for the relief of B. B. Bennett;

H. R. 365. An act for the relief of Edward Box;

severally without amendment.

The Senate have agreed to the amendment of this house to the bill of the Senate (No. 59) entitled "An act to provide compensation to such persons as may be designated by the Secretary of the Treasury to receive and keep the public money, under the 15th section of the act of 6th August, 1846, for the additional services required under that act."

And then he withdrew.

A message was received from the President of the United States, by Millard P. Fillmore, his private secretary, notifying the House that he did, on the 26th instant, approve and sign bills and a joint resolution of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 157. An act for the relief of Josiah P. Pilcher, late a private in company F, 2d Kentucky regiment volunteers, and for other purposes;

H. R. 146. An act to regulate the fees and costs to be allowed clerks, marshals, and attorneys of the circuit and district courts of the United States, and for other purposes;

H. R. 326. An act to prevent frauds upon the Treasury of the United States; and

H. R. 22. Joint resolution for the relief of J. P. Converse, of Ohio.

Mr. Houston submitted the following resolution; which was read, and, under the operation of the previous question, agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That all debate in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union on the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 335) "to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the service of the fiscal year ending the 30th of June, 1853," shall cease in five minutes after their consideration is resumed, (if the committee shall not sooner come to a conclusion upon the same;) and the committee shall then proceed to vote on such amendments as may be pending or offered to the same, and shall then report them to the House, together with such amendments as may have been agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Hall reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 335) "to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the service of the fiscal year ending the 30th of June, 1853," had come to no resolution thereon.

Mr. Stanly moved that so much of the rules as permits five minutes' debate in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union on the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House No. 335 be suspended;

Pending which,

Mr. Freeman moved, at 4 o'clock and 15 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question again recurring on the motion of Mr. Stanly,

The yeas and nays were demanded, and refused.

Mr. Preston King moved, at 4 o'clock and 22 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question again recurred on the motion of Mr. Stanly;

And being put, it was decided in the affirmative—two-thirds voting in favor thereof.

So the rule authorizing five minutes' debate on the amendments of the Senate to the said bill was suspended.

Mr. George W. Jones moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. George W. Jones,

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Hall reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 335) "to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the service of the fiscal year ending the 30th of June, 1853," had directed him to report the same, recommending concurrence in some, disagreement to others, and agreement with amendments to others of the said amendments.

The Speaker having stated the question to be on agreeing to the said amendments,

Mr. Houston moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put; when

The 1st, 2d, 6th, 7th, and 12th amendments were agreed to;

The 4th, 8th, and 9th amendments were disagreed to; and

The 3d, 5th, 10th, 11th, 13th, 14th, and 15th amendments agreed to, with amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate with the proceedings of the House on the said amendments.

Mr. Houston moved that the several votes upon the said amendments be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Wildrick, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, bills of the following titles, viz:

S. 227. An act for the relief of Frances E. Baden;

S. 642. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to issue a register to the bark "May," of Baltimore; when

The Speaker signed the same.

Mr. Cobb moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move that the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union be discharged from the further consideration of the bill of the House (No. 74) "to reduce and graduate the price of public lands to actual settlers and cultivators."

And the question being put, it was decided in the negative—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Phelps moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move to take from the Speaker's table the bill of the Senate (No. 493) "for the relief of Brown, Russell, & Co.;" which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. George W. Jones moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move that the House take a recess until 7 o'clock p. m.; which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Ewing moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move to take from the Speaker's table the bill of the Senate (No. 544) "for the relief of James Jeffreys and Jeremiah M. Smith;"

Pending which,

Mr. Preston King moved, at 5 o'clock p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurred on the motion of Mr. Ewing;

And being put, it was decided in the negative—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Venable, by unanimous consent, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the memorial containing charges against John C. Watrous, United States district judge for the State of Texas, made a report thereon; which was laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Houston moved that the House again resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union;

Pending which,

Mr. Hall moved, at 5 o'clock and 3 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurred on the motion of Mr. Houston;

And being put, it was decided in the affirmative.

The House accordingly again resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Isham G. Harris reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 336) "making appropriations for the support of the army for the year ending June 30, 1854," had come to no resolution thereon.

Mr. Henn, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee did, on the 26th instant, present to the President of the United States bills and a joint resolution of the following titles, viz:

S. 242. An act to regulate the terms of the district court of the United States for the district of Iowa;

S. 125. An act for the relief of Mary W. Thompson, Mrs. Elizabeth V. Lomax, and Mrs. A. M. Dade;

H. R. 326. An act to prevent frauds upon the Treasury of the United States;

H. R. 157. An act for the relief of Josiah P. Pilcher, late a private in company F, 2d Kentucky regiment volunteers, and for other purposes;

H. R. 22. Joint resolution for the relief of J. P. Converse, of Ohio;

H. R. 146. An act to regulate the fees and costs to be allowed clerks, marshals, and attorneys of the circuit and district courts of the United States, and for other purposes.

Mr. Houston submitted the following resolution; which was read, and, under the operation of the previous question, agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That all debate in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union on the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 336) "making appropriations for the support of the army for the year ending June 30, 1854," shall cease in five minutes after its consideration is resumed, (if the committee shall not sooner come to a conclusion upon the same;) and the committee shall then proceed to vote on such amendments as may be pending or offered to the same, and shall then report them to the House with such amendments as may have been agreed to by the committee.

Mr. Houston moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Briggs moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to submit the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the usual extra compensation be paid by the Clerk out of the contingent fund to the employees in and about the Capitol, embracing that description of persons only who received it at the close of the last session of Congress;

Pending which,

Mr. Letcher moved, at 6 o'clock and 55 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurring on the motion of Mr. Briggs,

Mr. Clemens moved a call of the House;

Pending which,

Mr. Lewis D. Campbell moved, at 7 o'clock and 8 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn.

And the question being put,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 50
Nays..... 52

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. John Allison

David J. Bailey
Thomas H. Bayly
Hiram Bell
Thomas S. Bocock
George Briggs
Lewis D. Campbell
Thompson Campbell
Elijah W. Chastain
William F. Colecock
William Cullom
George T. Davis
Ben. C. Eastman
Alfred P. Edgerton
Presley Ewing
Charles J. Faulkner
Graham N. Fitch

Mr. Henry M. Fuller

John Z. Goodrich
Willard P. Hall
Isham G. Harris
Alexander R. Holladay
Colin M. Ingersoll
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
John Letcher
Horace Mann
Frederick S. Martin
Fayette McMullen
John S. Millson
Denry D. Moore
John Moore

Mr. James T. Morehead

James L. Orr
David Outlaw
Gilchrist Porter
William A. Richardson
George Read Riddle
John Robbins, jr.
Reuben Robie
Marius Schoonmaker
Richardson Scurry
Frederick P. Stanton
Richard H. Stanton
Charles E. Stuart
Albert G. Watkins.
Addison White.
Isaac Wildrick.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. William Appleton
Thomas H. Averett
Leander Babcock
Nelson Barrere
Richard I. Bowie
Obadiah Bowne
John H. Boyd
John S. Caskie
Joseph R. Chandler
Sherrard Clemens
Williamson R. W. Cobb
James L. Conger
John R. J. Daniel
John F. Darby
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick

Mr. Henry A. Edmundson
Alexander Evans
Thomas B. Florence
Alfred Gilmore
Galusha A. Grow
Emanuel B. Hart
Bernhart Hena
Harry Hibbard
Jerediah Horsford
George S. Houston
Thomas M. Howe
Thomas Y. How, jr.
William F. Hunter
Joseph W. Jackson
John Johnson
Preston King
Joseph H. Kuhns

Mr. William H. Kurtz
J. Aristide Landry
Edward P. Little
John McNair
Richard S. Molony
William Murray
Eben Newton
Alexander G. Penn
Ebenezer J. Penniman
John S. Phelps
William H. Polk
Rodman M. Price
Edward Stanly
Nathan T. Stratton
Josiah Sutherland
Charles Sweetser
Benjamin B. Thurston.

So the House refused to adjourn.

The question then recurred on the motion of Mr. Clemens;

And being put, it was decided in the negative.

And then,

On motion of Mr. Hall,

At 7 o'clock and 30 minutes p. m. the House adjourned until tomorrow at 11 o'clock a. m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 1853.

The following petitions and other papers were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit:

By Mr. Daniel T. Jones: The additional testimony in the claim of Ebenezer Couch; which was referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions.

By Mr. Brooks: The petition of Charles Callaghan, praying for indemnity against Mexico; which was referred to the Committee of Claims.

By Mr. Schermerhorn: The petition of citizens of the State of New York, praying for the adoption of some measures by which to secure to American citizens the freedom of conscience in all foreign nations; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. Molony: Two petitions of citizens of the State of Illinois, praying for the removal of the bar at the mouth of Calumet river, in Lake Michigan; which were referred to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. Bennett: Additional petition of H. B. Field, praying for relief; which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Stanly, by unanimous consent, submitted the following resolution; which was read, considered, and agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Navy be directed to transmit to the House of Representatives a copy of the record and proceedings of the naval court-martial recently held at Washington for the trial of Fabius Stanly, a lieutenant in the navy, together with a copy of any papers filed in the Navy Department by said Stanly relating to said

trial; and also a copy of any correspondence that may have passed between the Secretary of the Navy and Lieutenant Stanly, relating to his arrest and trial—if not transmitted before the close of the session, the same to be received by the Clerk of the House, and, when received, that the usual number be printed for the use of the House.

The regular order of business having been called for, the Speaker announced, as first in order, the motion submitted by Mr. Briggs, and pending when the House adjourned on yesterday, to suspend the rules, so as to enable him to submit the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the usual extra compensation be paid by the Clerk, out of the contingent fund, to the employees in and about the Capitol, embracing that description of persons only who received it at the close of the last session of Congress.

And the question being put,

It was decided in the affirmative,	{ Yeas	110
	{ Nays	46

Two-thirds voting in favor thereof.

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. William Aiken
John Appleton
William Appleton
William S. Ashe
Thomas H. Averett
Leander Babcock
David J. Bailey
Thomas H. Bayly
Nelson Barrere
Thomas Bartlett, jr.
Hiram Bell
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibighaus
Richard I. Bowie
Obadiah Bowne
John H. Boyd
John C. Breckinridge
Samuel Brenton
George Briggs
George H. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
Joseph P. Caldwell
Thompson Campbell
John S. Caskie
Joseph R. Chandler
Charles Chapman
Elijah W. Chastain
Lincoln Clark
Sherrard Clemens
Joseph S. Cottman
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Milo M. Dimmick

Mr. Alfred P. Edgerton
Presley Ewing
Francis B. Fay
Graham N. Fitch
Thomas B. Florence
John D. Freeman
Henry M. Fuller
James M. Gaylord
Joshua R. Giddings
Robert Goodenow
John Z. Goodrich
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Ben. Edwards Grey
Alexander Harper
Sampson W. Harris
Emanuel B. Hart
Thomas A. Hendricks
Jerediah Horsford
Thomas M. Howe
Thomas Y. How, jr.
Colin M. Ingersoll
John Johnson
Robert W. Johnson
William H. Kurtz
J. Aristide Landry
Edward P. Little
James Lockhart
Daniel Mace
Joseph W. McCorkle
Moses McDonald
John McNair
Henry D. Moore
John Moore
Charles Murphy
William Murray
Benjamin D. Nabers

Mr. Andrew Parker
Alexander G. Penn
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Gilchrist Porter
Paulus Powell
Rodman M. Price
Isaac Reed
George Read Riddle
John Robbins, jr.
Reuben Robie
John L. Robinson
Joseph Russell
Lorenzo Sabine
William A. Sackett
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
Marius Schoonmaker
Richardson Scurry
Charles Skelton
Edward Stanly
Frederick P. Stanton
Richard H. Stanton
Abr'm P. Stephens
Louis St. Martin
Nathan T. Stratton
Charles E. Stuart
Josiah Sutherland
Charles Sweetser
John L. Taylor
Norton S. Townshend
Thomas Y. Walsh
William T. Ward
Israel Washburn, jr.
Albert G. Watkins
John Wells
Addison White
Christopher H. Williams.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. John Allison
James M. H. Beale
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Mr. John Bragg
Thomas L. Clingan

Mr. Williamson R. W. Cobb
James L. Conger

Mr. William Cullom
John R. J. Daniel
Gilbert Dean
Alfred Dockery
James H. Duncan
Cyrus L. Dunham
Ben. C. Eastman
Charles J. Faulkner
John G. Floyd
Thomas J. D. Fuller
Willard P. Hall
William T. Hamilton
Isham G. Harris
Bernhart Henn

Mr. Harry Hibbard
George S. Houston
William F. Hunter
Joseph W. Jackson
Andrew Johnson
George W. Jones
George G. King
Preston King
John Letcher
Horace Mann
Frederick S. Martin
John S. Millson
Richard S. Molony

Mr. James T. Morehead
James L. Orr
David Outlaw
Samuel W. Parker
Charles H. Peaslee
Jared Perkins
William R. Smith
Benjamin Stanton
Alexander H. Stephens
Robert Toombs
Abraham W. Venable
Daniel Wallace
Joseph A. Woodward.

So the rules were suspended, and Mr. Briggs accordingly submitted the said resolution.

Pending the question on agreeing thereto,

Mr. Briggs moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Will the House agree thereto?

And it was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas 107
Nays 57

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
William Aiken
William Appleton
William S. Ashe
Thomas H. Averett
Leander Babcock
David J. Bailey
Nelson Barrere
Thomas Bartlett, jr.
Hiram Bell
Thomas M. Bibighaus
Richard I. Bowie
John H. Boyd
John C. Breckinridge
Samuel Brenton
George Briggs
George H. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
Joseph P. Caldwell
Thompson Campbell
Joseph R. Chandler
Elijah W. Chastain
Lincoln Clark
Sherrard Clemens
Joseph S. Cottman
Carlton B. Curtis
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
John L. Dawson
Milo M. Dimmick
David T. Disney
James Duane Doty
Henry A. Edmundson
Presley Ewing

Mr. Francis B. Fay
Thomas B. Florence
John D. Freeman
Henry M. Fuller
Joshua R. Giddings
Robert Goodenow
John Z. Goodrich
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Alexander Harper
Sampson W. Harris
Emanuel B. Hart
Thomas A. Hendricks
Jerediah Horsford
Thomas M. Howe
Thomas Y. How, jr.
John Johnson
Robert W. Johnson
J. Glancy Jones
Joseph H. Kuhns
William H. Kurtz
J. Aristide Landry
Edward P. Little
James Lockhart
Daniel Mace
Joseph W. McCorkle
Moses McDonald
John McNair
Henry D. Moore
John Moore
William Murray
Benjamin D. Nabers
Eben Newton
Andrew Parker
Alexander G. Penn
Ebenezer J. Penniman

Mr. William H. Polk
Gilchrist Porter
Paulus Powell
Rodman M. Price
Isaac Reed
George Read Riddle
John Robbins, jr.
Reuben Robie
John L. Robinson
Joseph Russell
Lorenzo Sabine
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
John L. Schoolcraft
Marius Schoonmaker
Richardson Scurry
William W. Snow
Edward Stanley
Frederick P. Stanton
Richard H. Stanton
Abr'm P. Stephens
James W. Stone
Louis St. Martin
Nathan T. Stratton
James F. Strother
Charles E. Stuart
Josiah Sutherland
Charles Sweetser
John L. Taylor
Norton S. Townshend
Thomas Y. Walsh
William T. Ward
Albert G. Watkins
Addison White
Christopher H. Williams
Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. John Allison
James M. H. Beale

Mr. John Bragg
Chauncey F. Cleveland

Mr. Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson B. W. Cobb

Mr. William Cullom
 John R. J. Daniel
 John G. Davis
 Gilbert Dean
 Alfred Dockery
 James H. Duncan
 Cyrus L. Dunham
 Ben. C. Eastman
 John G. Floyd
 Thomas J. D. Fuller
 Ben. Edwards Grey
 Galusha A. Grow
 Willard P. Hall
 William T. Hamilton
 Isham G. Harris
 Solomon G. Haven
 Bernhart Henn

Mr. Harry Hibbard
 George S. Houston
 William F. Hunter
 Joseph W. Jackson
 Timothy Jenkins
 Andrew Johnson
 Daniel T. Jones
 George W. Jones
 George G. King
 Preston King
 John Letcher
 Horace Mann
 Frederick S. Martin
 Fayette McMullen
 John McQueen
 John S. Millson
 Richard S. Molony

Mr. James T. Morehead
 James L. Orr
 David Outlaw
 Samuel W. Parker
 Charles H. Peaslee
 Jared Perkins
 John S. Phelps
 Origen S. Seymour
 Charles Skelton
 William R. Smith
 Benjamin Stanton
 Alexander H. Stephens
 Benjamin B. Thurston
 Robert Toombs
 Abraham W. Venable
 Daniel Wallace
 Isaac Wildrick.

So it was

Resolved, That the usual extra compensation be paid by the Clerk, out of the contingent fund, to the employees in and about the Capitol, embracing that description of persons only who received it at the close of the last session of Congress.

Mr. Briggs moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickens, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed, without amendment, the bill of the House (No. 366) "authorizing the selectmen of the town of Chelsea, in the State of Massachusetts, to lay out and make a way on lands of the United States, in said town."

The Senate have disagreed to the amendment of the House to the bill of the Senate (No. 586) entitled "An act to extend pre-emption rights to unsurveyed lands, and for other purposes."

The President of the United States has notified the Senate that he did, on the 26th of February, approve and sign bills of the following titles, viz:

S. 125. An act for the relief of Mary W. Thompson, Mrs. Elizabeth V. Lomax, and Mrs. A. M. Dade;

S. 242. An act to regulate the terms of the district court of the United States for the district of Iowa.

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Hibbard moved that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

And the question being put,

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 112
 { Nays..... 63

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
 John Allison
 William S. Ashe
 Thomas H. Averett
 Nelson Barrere
 Thomas Bartlett, jr.
 James M. H. Beale
 Hiram Bell

Mr. Henry Bennett
 Thomas M. Bibbighaus
 Thomas S. Boccock
 John Bragg
 Samuel Brenton
 Albert G. Brown
 George H. Brown
 Lorenzo Burrows

Mr. Joseph P. Caldwell
 Thompson Campbell
 John S. Caskie
 Elijah W. Chastain
 William M. Churchwell
 Lincoln Clark
 Sherrard Clemens
 Thomas L. Clingman

Mr. Williamson R. W. Cobb
William F. Colcock
Joseph S. Cottman
John R. J. Daniel
John F. Darby
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Milo M. Dimmick
Alfred Dockery
Cyrus L. Dunham
Ben. C. Eastman
Henry A. Edmundson
Alexander Evans
Presley Ewing
Charles J. Faulkner
Orlando B. Ficklin
James M. Gaylord
Robert Goodenow
Ben. Edwards Grey
Galusha A. Grow
Willard P. Hall
William T. Hamilton
Isham G. Harris
Sampeon W. Harris
Augustus P. Hascall
Solomon G. Haven
Thomas A. Hendricks
Bernhart Henn
Harry Hibbard
Alexander R. Holladay

Mr. Jerediah Horsford
George S. Houston
Thomas M. Howe
William F. Hunter
Joseph W. Jackson
John Johnson
Robert W. Johnson
George W. Jones
J. Glancy Jones
Joseph H. Kuhns
J. Aristide Landry
John Letcher
Daniel Mace
Joseph W. McCorkle
John McNair
John McQueen
John S. Millson
Henry D. Moore
John Moore
Charles Murphy
Benjamin D. Nabers
James L. Orr
David Outlaw
Andrew Parker
Jared Perkins
John S. Phelps
William H. Polk
Gilchrist Porter
Paulus Powell

Mr. Isaac Reed
William A. Richardson
Reuben Robie
John L. Robinson
Lorenzo Sabine
William A. Sackett
John H. Savage
John L. Schoolcraft
Charles Skelton
William R. Smith
Edward Stanly
Benjamin Stanton
Richard H. Stanton
Alexander H. Stephens
Thaddeus Stevens
Louis St. Martin
Nathan T. Stratton
Josiah Sutherland
Charles Sweetser
Robert Toombs
Abraham W. Venable
Daniel Wallace
William T. Ward
Israel Washburn, jr.
Albert G. Watkins
John A. Wilcox
Isaac Wildrick
Christopher H. Williams
Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
William Appleton
Leander Babcock
Thomas H. Bayly
Richard I. Bowie
Obadiah Bowne
John H. Boyd
John C. Breckinridge
James Brooks
E. Carrington Cabell
Joseph Cable
Joseph R. Chandler
Chauncey F. Cleveland
James L. Conger
Carlton B. Curtis
George T. Davis
Gilbert Dean
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Charles Durkee
Alfred P. Edgerton

Mr. Francis B. Fay
Graham N. Fitch
Thomas B. Florence
John G. Floyd
Henry M. Fuller
Joshua R. Giddings
John Z. Goodrich
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Emanuel B. Hart
John H. H. Haws
Thomas Y. How, jr.
Colin M. Ingersoll
Willard Ives
Timothy Jenkins
Daniel T. Jones
George G. King
Preston King
William H. Kurtz
Edward P. Little
James Lockhart

Mr. Horace Mann
Richard S. Molony
William Murray
Eben Newton
Edson B. Olds
Samuel W. Parker
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Rodman M. Price
George Read Riddle
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
Marius Schoonmaker
Origen S. Seymour
William W. Snow
Abr'm P. Stephens
James F. Strother
Charles E. Stuart
John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston
Norton S. Townshend
Thomas Y. Walsh
John Wells.

So the motion was agreed to.

And the House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Isham G. Harris reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 336), "making appropriations for the support of the army for the year ending June 30, 1854," had come to no resolution thereon.

Mr. Orr moved that the rule authorizing five minutes' debate upon the

3d amendment of the Senate to the bill No. 336 be suspended; which motion was agreed to—two-thirds voting in favor thereof.

On motion of Mr. Orr,

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Isham G. Harris reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 336) "making appropriations for the support of the army for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854," had come to no resolution thereon.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate insist upon their amendments, disagreed to by the House, and disagree to the amendments of the House to the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 335) "to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the service of the fiscal year ending the 30th of June, 1853," and ask a conference with the House upon the said disagreeing votes; and the Senate have appointed Mr. Hunter, Mr. Pearce, and Mr. Walker the said committee on their part.

The Senate have passed the bill of the House (No. 364) "to establish certain post-roads," with sundry amendments; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Washburn moved that the rule authorizing five minutes' debate upon the 37th amendment of the Senate to the bill of the House No. 336 be suspended; which motion was agreed to—two-thirds voting in favor thereof.

On motion of Mr. Washburn,

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Isham G. Harris reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 336) "making appropriations for the support of the army for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854," had come to no resolution thereon.

Mr. Clingman moved that the rule authorizing five minutes' debate upon the 40th amendment of the Senate to the bill of the House No. 336 be suspended; which motion was agreed to—two-thirds voting in favor thereof.

On motion of Mr. Orr,

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Isham G. Harris reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 336) "making appropriations for the support of the army for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854," had come to no resolution thereon.

Mr. Hamilton moved that the rule authorizing five minutes' debate upon the 42d amendment of the Senate to the bill of the House No.

336 be suspended ; which motion was agreed to—two-thirds voting in favor thereof.

On motion of Mr. Orr,

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union ; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Isham G. Harris reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 336) "making appropriations for the support of the army for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854," had come to no resolution thereon.

Mr. Henry D. Moore moved that the rule authorizing five minutes' debate upon the 45th amendment of the Senate to the bill of the House No. 336 be suspended ; which motion was agreed to—two-thirds voting in favor thereof.

On motion of Mr. Henry D. Moore,

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union ; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Isham G. Harris reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 336) "making appropriations for the support of the army," had directed him to report the same, recommending concurrence in some of the said amendments, disagreement to others, and agreement with amendment to others of the said amendments.

The Speaker having stated the question to be on agreeing to the said amendments,

Mr. Houston moved the previous question ; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put.

Mr. Freeman moved, at 9 o'clock and 35 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn ; which motion was disagreed to.

Under the operation of the previous question,

The 2d, 13th, 20th, 21st, 26th, 28th, and 43d amendments were agreed to ; the 14th, 23d, 24th, 25th, 29th, 31st, 32d, and 45th amendments were disagreed to ; and the 1st and 22d amendments agreed to with amendments.

Pending the question on the remaining amendments,

On motion of Mr. Alexander H. Stephens,

At 10 o'clock p. m. the House adjourned until to-morrow at 11 o'clock a. m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2, 1853.

The following petition and paper were laid on the Clerk's table, under the 24th rule of the House, to wit :

By Mr. Preston: The petition of Edmund Mitchell, praying for a pension ; which was referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, additional evidence in the claim of William R. Vance, pension agent in Louisville, Kentucky ; which was referred to the Committee of Claims.

By Mr. Cleveland: The petition of citizens of the city of Washington, praying for an amendment of the charter of said city, so as to authorize the authorities thereof to prevent the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors in said city; which was referred to the Committee for the District of Columbia.

On motion of Mr. Dunham, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That the House insist upon their amendments (disagreed to by the Senate) to the amendments of the Senate, and upon their disagreement to the amendments of the Senate (insisted upon by the Senate) to the bill of the House (No. 335) "to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1853;" and agree to the conference asked for by the Senate upon the said disagreeing votes.

Ordered, That Mr. Dunham, Mr. William Appleton, and Mr. Nabers be appointed the said committee upon the part of the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Albert G. Brown, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That the House insist upon their amendment (disagreed to by the Senate) to the bill of the Senate (No. 586) entitled "An act to extend pre-emption rights to unsurveyed lands, and for other purposes;" and ask a conference with the Senate upon the said disagreeing vote.

Ordered, That Mr. Albert G. Brown, Mr. John Moore, and Mr. Dawson be the said committee on the part of the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Gorman, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That the House insist upon their amendment (disagreed to by the Senate) to the bill of the Senate (No. 573) entitled "An act for the relief of John Charles Frémont, late lieutenant colonel in the army of the United States;" and ask a conference with the Senate upon the said disagreeing vote.

Ordered, That Mr. Gorman, Mr. Haven, and Mr. Orr be the said committee on the part of the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Bragg, by unanimous consent, the bill of the Senate (No. 639) entitled "An act providing for administering the oath of office to William R. King, Vice President elect of the United States of America," was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Pending the question on its third reading,

Mr. George W. Jones moved to amend the same by inserting after "Havana," in the 6th line, the words "*or any other place*;" which motion was agreed to.

Ordered, That the said bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the said amendment.

Mr. Mason submitted, by unanimous consent, the following resolution; which was read, considered, and agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That the Clerk of this House be directed to pay out of the contingent fund, under the order of the Committee on Accounts, the *per diem* of any members who, by sickness or unavoidable detention, were

prevented from attendance on this House on the first day of the session.

The House then resumed the consideration of the amendments of the Senate remaining undisposed of at the adjournment of the House on yesterday to the bill of the House (No. 336) "making appropriations for the support of the army for the year ending June 30, 1854."

The *third* amendment was read, as follows:

Insert in the bill:

"For the defence of San Francisco, California, five hundred thousand dollars."

And the question being put, Will the House agree thereto?

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 73
 { Nays..... 65

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. William Appleton
Henry Bennett
Obadiah Bowne
George Briggs
James Brooks
George H. Brown
E. Carrington Cabell
Joseph R. Chandler
Lincoln Clark
Chauncey F. Cleveland
Carlton B. Curtis
John R. J. Daniel
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
Gilbert Dean
David T. Disney
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Ben. C. Eastman
Alexander Evans
Presley Ewing
Graham N. Fitch
Thomas B. Florence
John D. Freeman
Thomas J. D. Fuller

Mr. Robert Goodenow
John Z. Goodrich
Willis A. Gorman
Ben. Edwards Grey
Alexander Harper
Emanuel B. Hart
Bernhart Henn
Volney E. Howard
Thomas M. Howe
Robert W. Johnson
George G. King
Joseph H. Kuhns
J. Aristide Landry
James Lockhart
Daniel Mace
Edward C. Marshall
Frederick S. Martin
John C. Mason
Moses McDonald
John McNair
Henry D. Moore
Edson B. Olds
Samuel W. Parker
Alexander G. Penn

Mr. William H. Polk
Gilchrist Porter
Isaac Reed
William A. Richardson
George R. Riddle
John Roberts, jr.
John L. Robinson
Lorenzo Sabine
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
Origen S. Seymour
Ephraim K. Smart
William R. Smith
Edward Stanly
Frederick P. Stanton
Richard H. Stanton
Louis St. Martin
John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston
Thomas Y. Walsh
William T. Ward
Israel Washburn, jr.
Albert G. Watkins
Addison White
Christopher H. Williams.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
William Aiken
Charles Allen
Thomas H. Averett
Thomas M. Bibbighaus
Thomas S. Bocock
John Bragg
Samuel Brenton
Albert G. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
George H. Busby
Joseph P. Caldwell
Lewis D. Campbell
David K. Cartter
Elijah W. Chastain
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson

Mr. Milo M. Dimmick
Alfred Dockery
Cyrus L. Dunham
Henry A. Edmundson
John G. Floyd
James M. Gaylord
Joshua R. Giddings
William T. Hamilton
Thomas A. Hendricks
Harry Hibbard
Alexander R. Holladay
George S. Houston
Willard Ives
Andrew Johnson
James Johnson
John Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George W. Jones
J. Glancy Jones

Mr. Preston King
John Letcher
Edward P. Little
Fayette McMullen
John McQueen
Richard K. Meade
John S. Millson
James T. Morehead
Charles Murphy
William Murray
James L. Orr
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Jared Perkins
John S. Phelps
Reuben Robie
William A. Sackett
Richardson Scurry
Charles Skelton
Benjamin Stanton

Mr. Abr'm P. Stephens
Alexander H. Stephens
Thaddeus Stevens

Mr. Robert Toombs
Abraham W. Venable
John A. Wilcox

Mr. Isaac Wildrick
Joseph A. Woodward.

So the said amendment was agreed to.

The 4th, 5th, 6th, and 7th amendments were severally read and agreed to.

The eighth amendment was then read, as follows, viz:

Insert in the bill:

"Fort Carroll, Soller's Point, Baltimore harbor, fifty thousand dollars."

And the question being put, Will the House agree thereto?

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas 85
Nays 78

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
John Allison
John Appleton
William Appleton
William S. Ashe
David J. Bailey
Thomas M. Bibighaus
Obadiah Bowne
George Briggs
James Brooks
George H. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
E. Carrington Cabell
Joseph R. Chandler
Joseph S. Cottman
Carlton B. Curtis
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
David T. Disney
Alfred Dockery
James H. Duncan
Ben. C. Eastman
Alexander Evans
Charles J. Faulkner
Francis B. Fay
Thomas B. Florence
John D. Freeman
Henry M. Fuller
Thomas J. D. Fuller

Mr. James Gamble
Robert Goodenow
John Z. Goodrich
Frederick W. Green
Alexander Harper
Emanuel B. Hart
John H. H. Haws
Alexander R. Holladay
Volney E. Howard
Thomas M. Howe
Colin M. Ingersoll
Joseph W. Jackson
John Johnson
Robert W. Johnson
George G. King
Joseph H. Kuhns
J. Aristide Landry
Edward P. Little
James Lockhart
Daniel Mace
Edward C. Marshall
Frederick S. Martin
Moses McDonald
John McNair
John G. Miller
Henry D. Moore
John Moore
Benjamin D. Nabers

Mr. David Outlaw
Alexander G. Penn
Gilchrist Porter
Isaac Reed
George Read Riddle
Lorenzo Sabine
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
Origen S. Seymour
Charles Skelton
Ephraim K. Smart
Edward Stanly
Frederick P. Stanton
Richard H. Stanton
Abr'm P. Stephens
James W. Stone
Louis St. Martin
Nathan T. Stratton
Charles Sweetser
John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston
Thomas Y. Walsh
William T. Ward
Israel Washburn, jr.
Albert G. Watkins
Addison White
John A. Wilcox
Christopher H. Williams
Richard Yates.

• Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
Thomas H. Averett
Leander Babcock
Thomas S. Babcock
John Bragg
Samuel Brenton
Albert G. Brown
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
Joseph P. Caldwell
Lewis D. Campbell
Thompson Campbell
David K. Cartter
Elijah W. Chastain
Lincoln Clark

Mr. Sherrard Clemens
Williamson R. W. Cobb
William F. Colcock
James L. Conger
William Cullom
John R. J. Daniel
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick
James Duane Doty
Cyrus L. Dunham
Henry A. Edmundson
Orlando B. Ficklin
Graham N. Fitch

Mr. John G. Floyd
James M. Gaylord
Joshua R. Giddings
Willis A. Gorman
Galusha A. Grow
Isam G. Harris
Sampson W. Harris
Solomon G. Haven
Thomas A. Hendricks
Harry Hibbard
George S. Houston
Thomas Y. How, jr.
Willard Ives
Timothy Jenkins
James Johnson

Mr. Daniel T. Jones
George W. Jones
J. Glancy Jones
Preston King
John Letcher
John C. Mason
Fayette McMullen
John McQueen
Richard K. Meade
John S. Millson
Richard S. Molony

Mr. James T. Morehead
Charles Murphy
William Murray
James L. Orr
Andrew Parker
Samuel W. Parker
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Jared Perkins
John S. Phelps
Paulus Powell
Reuben Robie

Mr. John H. Savage
John L. Schoolcraft
Richardson Scurry
William R. Smith
Alexander H. Stephens
Thaddeus Stevens
Charles E. Stuart
Josiah Sutherland
Robert Toombs
Norton S. Townshend
Abraham W. Venable.

So the said amendment was agreed to.

The 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th amendments were severally read and agreed to; and the 15th and 16th amendments severally read and disagreed to.

The *seventeenth* amendment was then read, as follows, viz.:

Strike out of the bill the following:

"So much of the act of Congress approved August twenty-third, eighteen hundred and forty-two, as places the national armories under the superintendence of an officer of the ordnance corps, be, and the same is hereby, repealed; and from that day the said armories shall be under that system of superintendence which existed prior to the passage of said act of Congress."

And insert, in lieu thereof, the following:

"The act of Congress approved August twenty-three, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, be so modified that the President may, if in his opinion the public interest demands it, place over any of the armories a superintendent who does not belong to the army; and in order to enable him to decide to his satisfaction, he is hereby authorized to cause the necessary and proper inquiries to be instituted through the medium of a commission of civilians and military men, with a view of ascertaining which of the two systems is the more economical, efficient, and safe for the management of the public armories—that formerly existing under the superintendence of civil officers, or that now existing under the superintendence of officers of the ordnance department."

And the question being put, Will the House agree thereto?

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 89
Nays..... 73

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
William Aiken
John Allison
William Appleton
William S. Ashe
Leander Babcock
Nelson Barrere
Thomas M. Bibighaus
Obadiah Bowne
John Bragg
John C. Breckinridge
George Briggs
James Brooks
George H. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
E. Carrington Cabell
Joseph P. Caldwell
Lewis D. Campbell

Mr. Joseph R. Chandler
Thomas L. Clingman
James L. Conger
Joseph S. Cottman
William Cullom
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Alfred Dockery
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Alfred P. Edgerton
Alexander Evans
Presley Ewing
Henry M. Fuller
Meredith P. Gentry
Robert Goodenow

Mr. Ben. Edwards Grey
Alexander Harper
Sampson W. Harris
Emanuel B. Hart
John H. H. Haws
Solomon G. Haven
Thomas A. Hendricks
Harry Hibbard
George S. Houston
Thomas M. Howe
Joseph W. Jackson
James Johnson
Robert W. Johnson
George G. King
Preston King
Joseph H. Kuhn
J. Aristide Landry
Fayette McMullen

Mr. John G. Miller
 Henry D. Moore
 John Moore
 James T. Morehead
 Benjamin D. Nabers
 James L. Orr
 David Outlaw
 Samuel W. Parker
 Alexander G. Penn*
 Ebenezer J. Penniman
 Jared Perkins
 William H. Polk

Mr. Gilchrist Porter
 Thomas Ross
 Lorenzo Sabine
 William A. Sackett
 John H. Savage
 John L. Schoolcraft
 Edward Stanly
 Frederick P. Stanton
 Richard H. Stanton
 Alexander H. Stephens
 Thaddeus Stevens
 James W. Stone

Mr. Josiah Sutherland
 John L. Taylor
 Robert Toombs
 Abraham W. Venable
 William T. Ward
 Israel Washburn, jr.
 Albert G. Watkins
 John A. Wilcox
 Isaac Wildrick
 Christopher H. Williams
 Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
 Thomas H. Averett
 David J. Bailey
 Thomas H. Bayly
 Thomas Bartlett, jr.
 Thomas S. Bocock
 George H. Busby
 Joseph Cable
 Thompson Campbell
 Charles Chapman
 Elijah W. Chaatain
 Lincoln Clark
 Sherrard Clemens
 Williamson R. W. Cobb
 William F. Colcock
 John G. Davis
 Milo M. Dimmick
 David T. Disney
 Cyrus L. Dunham
 Ben. C. Eastman
 Charles J. Faulkner
 Thomas B. Florence
 John G. Floyd
 Thomas J. D. Fuller
 James Gamble

Mr. James M. Gaylord
 Joshua R. Giddings
 John Z. Goodrich
 Willis A. Gorman
 Frederick W. Green
 Galusha A. Grow
 William T. Hamilton
 Isham G. Harris
 Bernhart Henn
 Alexander R. Holladay
 Thomas Y. How, jr.
 Colin M. Ingersoll
 Willard Ives
 Timothy Jenkins
 Andrew Johnson
 John Johnson
 George W. Jones
 J. Glancy Jones
 William H. Kurtz
 John Letcher
 Edward P. Little
 James Lockhart
 Daniel Mace
 Edward C. Marshall

Mr. Joseph W. McCorkle
 John S. Millson
 Richard S. Molony
 Charles Murphy
 William Murray
 Edson B. Olds
 Andrew Parker
 John S. Phelps
 Paulus Powell
 Isaac Reed
 John Robbins, jr.
 Reuben Robie
 John L. Robinson
 Richardson Scurry
 Origen S. Seymour
 Charles Skelton
 William R. Smith
 Louis St. Martin
 Nathan T. Stratton
 Charles E. Stuart
 Charles Sweetser
 Benjamin B. Thurston
 Norton S. Townshend
 Addison White.

So the said amendment was agreed to.

The 18th and 19th amendments were then severally read, and disagreed to.

The amendment reported from the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union to the 27th amendment was agreed to; and the said amendment as amended agreed to.

The 30th, 33d, and 34th amendments were severally read and disagreed to; and the 35th, 36th, and 37th amendments were severally read and agreed to.

The 38th and 39th amendments were then read, as follows, viz :

Insert in the bill the following :

"SEC. 15. *And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized, under the direction of the President of the United States, to employ such portion of the corps of topographical engineers, and such other persons as he may deem necessary, to make such explorations and surveys as he may deem advisable to ascertain the most practicable and economical route for a railroad from the Mississippi river to the Pacific ocean; and that the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, or to much thereof as may be necessary, be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expense of such explorations and surveys.*

"SEC. 16. *And be it further enacted, That the engineers and other persons employed in said explorations and surveys shall be organized in as many distinct corps as there are routes to be surveyed, and their several reports shall be laid before Congress on or before the first Monday in February, 1854.*"

And the question being put, Will the House agree thereto?

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 112
Nays..... 61

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. Willis Allen
John Allison
William Appleton
Leander Babcock
David J. Bailey
Hiram Bell
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibbhaus
Obadiah Bowne
John C. Breckinridge
Samuel Brenton
George Briggs
James Brooks
Albert G. Brown
George H. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
Lewis D. Campbell
Thompson Campbell
David K. Cartter
Joseph R. Chandler
Lincoln Clark
Joseph S. Cottman
William Cullom
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Cyrus L. Dunham
Ben. C. Eastman
Alexander Evans
Francis B. Fay
Orlando B. Ficklin
Thomas B. Florence
John D. Freeman

Mr. Henry M. Fuller
James Gamble
Meredith P. Gentry
Joshua R. Giddings
Alfred Gilmore
Robert Goodenow
John Z. Goodrich
Frederick W. Green
Ben. Edwards Grey
Edward Hammond
Alexander Harper
Emanuel B. Hart
John H. H. Haws
Bernhart Henn
John W. Howe
Thomas M. Howe
John Johnson
Robert W. Johnson
George G. King
Joseph H. Kuhns
J. Aristide Landry
Edward P. Little
James Lockhart
Daniel Mace
Horace Mann
Edward C. Marshall
Joseph W. McCorkle
Moses McDonald
James X. McLanahan
Richard K. Meade
John G. Miller
Richard S. Molony
Henry D. Moore
John Moore
Benjamin D. Nabers
Eben Newton
Edson B. Olds

Mr. Andrew Parker
Samuel W. Parker
Alexander G. Penn
Ebenezer J. Penniman
John S. Phelps
William H. Polk
Gilchrist Porter
William A. Richardson
George Read Riddle
John Robbins, jr.
Lorenzo Sabine
William A. Sackett
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
Richardson Scurry
Origen S. Seymour
Charles Skelton
William R. Smith
William W. Snow
Edward Stanly
Benjamin Stanton
Frederick P. Stanton
Richard H. Stanton
Abr'm P. Stephens
Louis St. Martin
Nathan T. Stratton
James F. Strother
John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston
Norton S. Townshend
Henry S. Walbridge
Thomas Y. Walsh
William T. Ward
Albert G. Watkins
John Wells
Addison White
Christopher H. Williams
Richard Yates.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. William Aiken
Thomas H. Averett
Thomas H. Bayly
Nelson Barrere
James M. H. Beale
Thomas S. Bocock
John Bragg
E. Carrington Cabell
Joseph P. Caldwell
Elijah W. Chastain
William M. Churchwell
Sherrard Clemens
Thomas L. Clingman

Mr. Williamson R. W. Cobb
William F. Colcock
John R. J. Daniel
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick
Alfred Dockery
Henry A. Edmundson
Graham N. Fitch
John G. Floyd
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James M. Gaylord
Galusha A. Grow
William T. Hamilton

Mr. Sampson W. Harris
Harry Hibbard
Alexander R. Holladay
George S. Houston
Thomas Y. How, jr.
Colin M. Ingersoll
Willard Ives
Joseph W. Jackson
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
James Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George W. Jones

Mr. J. Glancy Jones
Preston King
William H. Kurtz
John Letcher
Fayette McMullen
John McNair
John McQueen
John S. Millson

Mr. James T. Morehead
Charles Murphy
William Murray
David Outlaw
Charles H. Peaslee
Jared Perkins
Reuben Robie

Mr. Thomas Ross
Alexander H. Stephens
Thaddeus Stevens
Josiah Sutherland
Robert Toombs
Abraham W. Venable
Isaac Wildrick.

So the said amendments were agreed to.

The 40th and 42d amendments were severally read and disagreed to; and the 41st amendment agreed to.

The *forty-fourth* amendment was then read, as follows, viz :

Insert in the bill the following :

"SEC. 21. And be it further enacted, That for the purpose of enabling the commissioners of the military asylum to purchase a suitable site, with the view of establishing thereat a western military asylum, the sum of ten thousand dollars, in addition to the sum in the hands of the commissioners, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated."

And the question being put, Will the House agree thereto?

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 95
Nays 84

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. William S. Ashe
Thomas H. Bayly
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibighaus
Thomas S. Bocock
Richard I. Bowie
Obadiah Bowne
Samuel Brenton
George Briggs
James Brooks
Lorenzo Burrows
E. Carrington Cabell
Joseph R. Chandler
Charles Chapman
Chauncey F. Cleveland
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
James L. Conger
Joseph S. Cottman
William Cullom
John F. Darby
Alfred Dockery
James H. Duncan
Henry A. Edmundson
Alexander Evans
Presley Ewing
Charles J. Faulkner
Francis B. Fay
Thomas B. Florence
John D. Freeman
Henry M. Fuller
Robert Goodenow

Mr. John Z. Goodrich
Willis A. Gorman
Ben. Edwards Grey
Alexander Harper
Isham G. Harris
Sampson W. Harris
Emanuel B. Hart
John H. H. Haws
Alexander R. Holladay
Jerediah Horsford
Thomas M. Howe
Joseph W. Jackson
James Johnson
Robert W. Johnson
Joseph H. Kuhns
J. Aristide Landry
John Letcher
Edward P. Little
James Lockhart
Daniel Mace
Edward C. Marshall
Frederick S. Martin
John C. Mason
Joseph W. McCorkle
Richard K. Meade
John G. Miller
Henry D. Moore
John Moore
James T. Morehead
Benjamin D. Nabers
Edson B. Olds
David Outlaw

Mr. Andrew Parker
Samuel W. Parker
Alexander G. Penn
Ebenezer J. Penniman
William H. Polk
Gilchrist Porter
William Preston
William A. Sackett
John H. Savage
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
John L. Schoolcraft
Marius Schoonmaker
William R. Smith
William W. Snow
Edward Stanly
Frederick P. Stanton
Richard H. Stanton
James W. Stone
Louis St. Martin
James F. Strother
Charles Sweetser
Robert Toombs
Henry S. Walbridge
Thomas Y. Walsh
William T. Ward
Israel Washburn, jr.
John Wells
Addison White
John A. Wilcox
Christopher H. Williams
Richard Yates.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
John Allison

Mr. John Appleton
William Appleton

Mr. Thomas H. Averett
Nelson Barrere

Mr. James M. H. Beale
 Hiram Bell
 John Bragg
 George H. Brown
 George H. Busby
 Joseph Cable
 Lewis D. Campbell
 Thompson Campbell
 David K. Carter
 Elijah W. Chastain
 Lincoln Clark
 John R. J. Daniel
 John G. Davis
 John L. Dawson
 Gilbert Dean
 Milo M. Dimmick
 David T. Disney
 James Duane Doty
 Cyrus L. Dunham
 Ben. C. Eastman
 Orlando B. Ficklin
 Graham N. Fitch
 John G. Floyd
 James Gamble
 James M. Gaylord
 Joshua R. Giddings

Mr. Frederick W. Green
 Galusha A. Grow
 William T. Hamilton
 Edward Hammond
 Solomon G. Haven
 William Hebard
 Thomas A. Hendricks
 Harry Hibbard
 • George S. Houston
 Volney E. Howard
 John W. Howe
 Thomas Y. How, jr.
 William F. Hunter
 Colin M. Ingersoll
 Willard Ives
 Timothy Jenkins
 Andrew Johnson
 Daniel T. Jones
 George W. Jones
 J. Glancy Jones
 George G. King
 Preston King
 Horace Mann
 Fayette McMullen
 John McNair
 John S. Millson

Mr. Richard S. Molony
 Charles Murphy
 William Murray
 Eben Newton
 James L. Orr
 Charles H. Peaslee
 Jared Perkins
 John S. Phelps
 Isaac Reed
 Reuben Robie
 John L. Robinson
 Thomas Ross
 Lorenzo Sabine
 Origen S. Seymour
 Charles Skelton
 Abr'm P. Stephens
 Alexander H. Stephens
 Thaddeus Stevens
 Nathan T. Stratton
 Charles E. Stuart
 Josiah Sutherland
 John L. Taylor
 Benjamin B. Thurston
 Norton S. Townshend
 Isaac Wildrick
 Joseph A. Woodward.

So the said amendment was agreed to.

Mr. Morehead moved that the vote by which the 45th amendment of the Senate to the said bill was agreed to be reconsidered;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Hall,

Ordered, That the said motion be laid on the table.

All of the amendments of the Senate having been disposed of,

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate with the proceedings of the House thereon.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have agreed to the amendment of this House to the bill of the Senate (No. 639) entitled "An act providing for administering the oath of office to William R. King, Vice President elect of the United States of America."

The Senate insist upon their disagreement to the amendment of this House to the bill of the Senate (No. 586) entitled "An act to extend pre-emption rights to unsurveyed lands, and for other purposes," agree to the conference asked for by the House upon the said disagreeing vote, and have appointed Mr. Felch, Mr. Downs, and Mr. Phelps the said committee on their part.

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Wildrick, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, a bill of the following title, viz:

S. 639. An act providing for administering the oath of office to William R. King, Vice President elect of the United States of America;

When

The Speaker signed the same.

On motion of Mr. Clingman,

The House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the

Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Phelps reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the bill of the House (No. 362) "making appropriations for light-houses, light-boats, buoys, &c., and providing for the erection and establishment of the same, and for other purposes," had directed him to report the same with sundry amendments.

The Speaker having stated the question to be on agreeing to the said amendments,

Mr. Duncan moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put; and, under the operation thereof, the said amendments were severally agreed to.

Under the further operation of the previous question, the said bill was ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

And being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Mr. Duncan moved that the vote by which the said bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickens, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed the bill of the House (No. 337) "making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of the government for the year ending June 30, 1854," with sundry amendments; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The Senate have agreed to the report of the committee of conference on the bill of the Senate (No. 573) entitled "An act for the relief of John Charles Frémont, late lieutenant colonel in the army of the United States."

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Gorman, from the committee of conference on the part of the House on the disagreeing vote of the two houses on the said bill of the Senate, No. 573, submitted the following report, viz:

That they have met, and after a full and free conference upon the same, they have agreed to recommend, and do recommend, as follows, viz:

That the House recede from its amendment, and agree to the bill of the Senate, with the following amendment, to wit:

Provided, That before the payment of the same, or any part thereof, the Secretary of the Treasury shall be satisfied that the amount has been expended for the benefit of the public service.

W. A. GORMAN,
S. G. HAVEN,
JAS. L. ORR,

Managers on the part of the House.

W. M. GWIN,
JAS. SHIELDS,
J. A. PEARCE,

Managers on the part of the Senate.

And the question being put, under the operation of the previous question, Will the House agree thereto?

It was decided in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Albert G. Brown, from the committee of conference on the part of the House on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the Senate (No. 586) entitled "An act to extend pre-emption rights to the unsurveyed lands, and for other purposes," submitted the following report, viz:

That they recommend the adoption of the amendment of the House, with the following proviso: "*Provided further*, That any settler who has settled, or may hereafter settle, on lands heretofore reserved on account of claims under French, Spanish, or other grants, which have been, or shall be hereafter, declared by the Supreme Court of the United States to be invalid, shall be entitled to all the rights of pre-emption granted by this act, and the act of 4th of September, 1841, entitled 'An act to appropriate the proceeds of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights,' after the land shall have been released from reservation, in the same manner as if no reservation existed;" and that the title of the bill be as follows: "An act to extend pre-emption rights to certain lands therein mentioned."

A. G. BROWN,
JOHN MOORE,
JNO. L. DAWSON,

On the part of the House.

S. W. DOWNS,
SAM'L S. PHELPS,
ALPHEUS FELCH,

On the part of the Senate.

The same having been read,

Mr. Albert G. Brown moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Will the House agree thereto?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Albert G. Brown moved that the vote by which the said report was agreed to be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. McCorkle,

The rules were suspended, so as to enable him to report from the Committee on Public Lands the bill of the Senate (No. 7) entitled "An act to provide for the survey of the public lands in California, the granting of donation privileges therein, and for other purposes."

And thereupon,

Mr. McCorkle reported the same, with sundry amendments.

After debate,

Mr. Hebard moved that the bill and pending amendments be committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union;

Pending which,

Mr. Hebard moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Shall the said bill be committed?

And it was decided in the negative.

Under the further operation of the previous question, the said amendments were agreed to.

Under the further operation of the previous question,

Ordered, That the bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title of the said bill be amended by striking out the words "donation privileges," and inserting the words "*pre-emption rights*."

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the said amendments.

Mr. Duncan, by unanimous consent, submitted the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, (with the concurrence of the Senate,) That the 16th joint rule of the two houses be suspended for the present session, so far as relates to the bill of the House (No. 362) "making appropriations for light-houses, light-boats, buoys, &c., and providing for the erection and establishment of the same, and for other purposes."

And the question being put, it was decided in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Subsequently,

A message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary, notifying the House that the Senate had agreed to the said resolution.

On motion of Mr. Houston, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That the bill of the House (No. 337) "making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of the government for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854," with the amendments of the Senate thereto, be committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed bills and a joint resolution of this House of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 367. An act to authorize the issuing of a register to the brig "Boundary," and to change the names of the steamers Roger Williams and propeller Ontario;

H. R. 31. Joint resolution providing for the printing and binding of the "returns of the seventh census;"

H. R. 348. An act to establish the territorial government of Washington;

the two former with amendments, in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House; and the latter without amendment.

The Senate insist upon their amendments, disagreed to by the House, and disagree to the amendments of the House to the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 336) "making appropriations for the support of the army for the year ending June 30, 1854," and

ask a conference with the House upon the said disagreeing votes ; and the Senate have appointed Mr. Bright, Mr. Shields, and Mr. Downs managers at the said conference on their part.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Gorman, by unanimous consent,

The Speaker laid before the House the annual report (agricultural and mechanical) of the Commissioner of the Patent Office for the last year ; which was referred to the Committee on Printing.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Stuart reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 337) "making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of the government for the year ending June 30, 1854," had come to no resolution thereon.

Mr. Houston submitted the following resolution ; which was read, considered, and agreed to, viz :

Resolved, That all debate in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union on the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 337) "making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of the government for the year ending June 30, 1854," shall cease in five minutes after its consideration is resumed, (if the committee shall not sooner come to a conclusion upon the same,) and the committee shall then proceed to vote on the said amendments and such amendments as may be offered to the same, and shall then report them to the House with such amendments as may have been agreed to by the committee.

And then,

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union ; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Stuart reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 337) "making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of the government for the year ending June 30, 1854," had come to no resolution thereon.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickens, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have passed bills of this House of the following titles, viz :

H. R. 357. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to amend an act to settle and adjust the expenses of the people of Oregon from attacks and hostilities of Cayuse Indians in the years 1847 and 1848," approved August 21, 1852 ; and

H. R. 350. An act making appropriations for the service of the Post Office Department for the year ending June 30, 1854 ; the former without and the latter with amendments ; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Henn, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the

committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, a bill of the following title, viz :

S. 59. An act to provide compensation to such persons as may be designated by the Secretary of the Treasury to receive and keep the public money, under the 15th section of the act of August 6, 1846, for the additional services required under that act; when

The Speaker signed the same.

On motion of Mr. Phelps, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That the House insist on their disagreement to the amendments, insisted on by the Senate, insist upon their amendments disagreed to by the Senate, and agree to the appointment of a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the House (No. 336) "making appropriations for the support of the army for the year ending June 30, 1854."

Ordered, That Mr. Phelps, Mr. Stanly, and Mr. Origen S. Seymour be appointed the managers at the said conference, on the part of the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Gorman, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That the joint resolution of the House (No. 31) "providing for printing and binding the returns of the Seventh Census," with the amendments of the Senate thereto, be referred to the Committee on Printing.

On motion of Mr. Henn, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That two additional members be appointed on the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

The Speaker thereupon appointed Mr. Thomas Y. How and Mr. Haws upon the said committee.

Mr. Wildrick, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, bills of the following titles, viz :

H. R. 184. An act for the relief of B. B. Bennett;

H. R. 332. An act making appropriations for the support of the Military Academy for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854;

H. R. 365. An act for the relief of Edward Box;

H. R. 366. An act authorizing the selectmen of the town of Chelsea, in the State of Massachusetts, to lay out and make a way on lands of the United States in said town;

H. R. 348. An act to establish the territorial government of Washington;

H. R. 357. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to settle and adjust the expenses of the people of Oregon from attacks and hostilities of Cayuse Indians in the years 1847 and 1848," approved August 21, 1852; when

The Speaker signed the same.

Mr. Goodenow moved that the rule authorizing five minutes' debate be suspended so far as relates to the 80th amendment to the bill of the House No. 337, (civil and diplomatic;) which motion was agreed to—two-thirds voting in favor thereof.

On motion of Mr. Orr,

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole

House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Stuart reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 337) "making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of the government for the year ending June 30, 1854," had come to no resolution thereon.

Mr. Houston moved that the rule authorizing five minutes' debate be suspended so far as relates to the 85th amendment of the Senate to the bill of the House No. 337, (civil and diplomatic;) which motion was agreed to—two-thirds voting in favor thereof.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr Speaker: The Senate have agreed to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the House (No. 335) "to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1853."

The Senate have also agreed to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the Senate (No. 536) "to extend pre-emption rights to unsurveyed lands, and for other purposes;" and the Senate have agreed to the amendments of the House to the bill of the Senate (No. 7) "to provide for the survey of the public lands in California, the granting of donation privileges therein, and for other purposes."

Mr. Dunham, from the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the House (No. 335) "to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1853," submitted the following report, viz:

The committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill (H. R. No. 335) "to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the service of the fiscal year ending the 30th of June, 1853," have met, and, after full and free conference, have agreed to recommend, and do recommend, to the respective houses as follows:

That the House of Representatives do recede from its disagreement to the 4th and 8th amendments of the Senate.

That the Senate recede from its 9th amendment.

That the Senate concur in the amendments of the House of Representatives to the 3d, 5th, 11th, and 14th amendments of the Senate.

That the House recede from its disagreement to the provision contained in the 24th line of the 10th amendment of the Senate, and that the Senate concur in the other and additional amendments of the House to the said 10th amendment of the Senate.

That the Senate recede from the 1st, 2d, 5th, 8th, 13th, and 20th clauses of its 13th amendment.

That the House recede from its disagreement to the 22d clause of the 13th amendment of the Senate.

That the Senate concur in the amendments of the House to the 6th and 23d clauses of its 13th amendment.

That the Senate agree to the House amendment to the 12th clause of its 13th amendment, with an amendment, as follows: in line 25 of page 3, strike out the word "as," and insert "which."

That the Senate agree to the House amendment to the 16th clause of its 13th amendment, with an amendment, as follows: strike out the 2d clause of said amendment contained in lines from 7 to 18, inclusive.

That the Senate recede from so much of its 15th amendment as is contained in the 8th section.

That the House recede from its disagreement to so much of the 15th amendment of the Senate as is contained in the 6th section.

That the Senate concur in the House amendment of so much of the 15th amendment of the Senate as is contained in the 4th section.

That the Senate concur in the House amendment of so much of the 15th amendment of the Senate as is contained in the 7th section, with the following amendments: after the word "thereof" in line 3 of House amendment, insert the words "or at any assay office of the United States." Strike out the proviso in lines 8, 9, and 10, of said House amendment, and after the word "fineness," at the end of said House amendment, add the words "and the said act entitled 'An act amendatory of existing laws relative to the half-dollar, quarter-dollar, dime, and half-dime,' shall take effect and be in full force from and after the 1st day of April, 1853, anything therein to the contrary notwithstanding."

R. M. T. HUNTER,

J. A. PEARCE,

J. P. WALKER,

Senate Committee.

C. L. DUNHAM,

B. D. NABERS,

WM. APPLETON,

House Committee.

The same having been read,

Mr. Dunham moved the previous question on agreeing thereto; and the House refused to second the same.

After debate,

Mr. Robert W. Johnson moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Will the House agree to the said report?

And it was decided in the negative.

Mr. Nabers moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered.

After debate,

On motion of Mr. Stuart,

Ordered, That the said motion to reconsider be laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Toombs,

Ordered, That a second conference be requested with the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the House (No. 335) "to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1853."

Ordered, That Mr. Toombs, Mr. Marshall, and Mr. Woodward be the managers at the said conference on the part of the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Phelps, from the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the House (No. 336) "making ap-

propriations for the support of the army for the year ending June 30, 1854," submitted the following report, viz :

"That they have met, and, after full and free conference, have agreed to recommend, and do recommend, to the respective houses as follows: that the House of Representatives recede from its disagreement to the 14th, 15th, 31st, and 32d amendments of the Senate; that the Senate recede from their 16th, 18th, 19th, 23d, 24th, 25th, 27th, 29th, 30th, 33d, 34th, 40th, 42d, and 45th amendments; that the House of Representatives recede from its amendment to the 27th amendment of the Senate; that the Senate concur in the amendment of the House to their 1st amendment; that the Senate concur in the amendment of the House to their 22d amendment.

JOHN S. PHELPS,
EDWARD STANLY,
O. S. SEYMOUR.

Managers on the part of the House.

J. D. BRIGHT,
WM. C. DAWSON,
JAS. SHIELDS,

Managers on the part of the Senate.

The same having been read,

Mr. Phelps moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz : Will the House agree thereto? And it was decided in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Stuart reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 337) "making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of the government for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854," had directed him to report the same recommending agreement to some, disagreement to others, and agreement with amendment to others of the said amendments.

The Speaker having stated the question to be on agreeing to the said amendments,

Mr. Houston moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put.

Mr. Morehead moved, at 10 o'clock and 15 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The 1st and 2d amendments were then severally read and disagreed to.

Mr. Letcher moved, at 10 o'clock and 30 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The 3d, 4th, 5th, 6th, 8th, 12th, 15th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22d, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 33d, 36th, 38th, 39th, 41st, 43d, 45th, 50th, 51st, 52d, 53d, 54th, 55th, 57th, 59th, 63d, 64th, 65th, 66th, 68th,

69th, 70th, 71st, 72d, 73d, 74th, 76th, 78th, 79th, 80th, 86th, 87th, 88th, 90th, 91st, 92d, 93d, 94th, 95th, 96th, 98th, and 101st were severally agreed to; and

The 7th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 13th, 14th, 16th, 17th, 23d, 29th, 30th, 31st, 32d, 34th, 35th, 37th, 40th, 42d, 46th, 47th, 48th, 49th, 56th, 58th, 60th, 61st, 62d, 75th, 81st, 82d, 83d, 84th, 85th, 89th, 97th, 99th, 100th, and 103d amendments were severally disagreed to; and

The 44th, 67th, 77th, and 102d amendments were severally agreed to with amendments.

The amendment of the Senate to the title of the bill was then read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate with the proceedings of the House on their said amendments.

Mr. Houston moved that the votes upon the said amendments be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have agreed to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the House (No. 336) "making appropriations for the support of the army for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854."

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Hall moved, at 11 o'clock and 52 minutes p. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

On motion of Mr. Houston, by unanimous consent, the bill of the House (No. 350) "making appropriations for the service of the Post Office Department for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854," with the amendments of the Senate thereto, was taken from the Speaker's table.

Mr. George W. Jones moved that the same be committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. George W. Jones,

At 11 o'clock and 55 minutes p. m. the House adjourned until tomorrow at 11 o'clock a. m.

THURSDAY, MARCH 3, 1853.

On motion of Mr. Cleveland, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That leave be granted for the withdrawal, from the files of the House, of the papers in the case of Avery Downer, for the purpose of reference to one of the executive departments.

The said papers were thereupon handed to Mr. Cleveland.

The Speaker having announced, as the business first in order, the motion submitted by Mr. George W. Jones, and pending when the House adjourned on yesterday, viz: that the bill of the House (No. 350) "making appropriations for the service of the Post Office Department for the year ending June 30, 1854," with the amendments of the Senate thereto, be committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union,

The question was put, Will the House agree thereto?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Gorman, by unanimous consent,

The Speaker laid before the House sundry executive communications, viz :

I. A letter from the Secretary of the Navy, transmitting copies of the Navy Register for the year 1853.

II. A letter from the Secretary of the Navy, transmitting information, in answer to a resolution of the House of the 17th January last, on the subject of mail steamers, and the present condition of the steam navy.

III. A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting a transcript of the Army Register for the year 1852.

IV. A letter from the Postmaster General, transmitting his annual statement of the clerks and other persons employed in his department during the last year.

V. A letter from the Postmaster General, transmitting a statement of the receipts and disbursements of his department during the last year.

VI. A letter from the Postmaster General, transmitting copies of mail contracts, offers for carrying the mail, &c.

Ordered, That the said letters and accompanying documents be laid on the table, and printed.

VII. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting the annual report of the Superintendent of the Coast Survey.

Ordered, That the said letter and accompanying documents be referred to the Committee on Printing.

VIII. A letter from the Commissioner of Public Buildings, transmitting a copy of all the contracts entered into by him within the year 1852, &c.

Ordered, That the said letter and accompanying documents be laid on the table, and printed.

On motion of Mr. Houston,

The House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Origen S. Seymour reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 350) "making appropriations for the service of the Post Office Department for the year ending June 30, 1854," had come to no resolution thereon.

Mr. Stuart submitted the following resolution; which was read, considered, and agreed to, viz :

Resolved, That all debate in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union on the Senate amendments to the bill of the House (No. 350) "making appropriations for the service of the Post Office Department for the year ending June 30, 1854," shall cease in five minutes after their consideration is resumed, (if the committee shall not sooner come to a conclusion upon the same;) and the committee shall then proceed to vote on such amendments as may be pending or offered to the same, and shall then report them to the House with such amendments as may have been agreed to by the committee.

Mr. Stuart moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Stuart,

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Origen S. Seymour reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House No. 350, had come to no resolution thereon.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a bill of this House of the following title, viz:

H. R. 253. An act making an appropriation for the completion of the public buildings in the Territory of Minnesota.

The Senate have agreed to the second conference asked for by this House on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the House (No. 335) "to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1853," and have appointed Mr. Hunter, Mr. Pearce, and Mr. Walker managers at the said conference on the part of the Senate.

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Gorman moved that the rule authorizing five minutes' debate upon the 6th amendment of the Senate to the bill of the House No. 350 be suspended; which motion was agreed to—two-thirds voting in favor thereof.

On motion of Mr. Gorman,

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Origen S. Seymour reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 350) "making appropriations for the service of the Post Office Department for the year ending June 30, 1854," had directed him to report the same, recommending concurrence in some of the said amendments, and disagreement to others.

The Speaker having stated the question to be on agreeing to the said amendments,

Mr. Houston moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put; and, under the operation thereof, the 2d, 4th, and 5th amendments were agreed to, and the 1st, 3d, and 6th amendments disagreed to.

All of the said amendments having been disposed of,

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate with the proceedings of the House thereon.

On motion of Mr. Olds, by unanimous consent,

The bill of the House (No. 364) "to establish certain post-roads," with the amendments of the Senate thereto, was taken up.

The first of the said amendments was then read, and agreed to.

The *second* amendment having been read,
Mr. Phelps moved to amend the same by striking out the word "tri-weekly;" which motion was agreed to.

The question then recurred on agreeing to the said amendment as amended;

And being put, it was decided in the affirmative.

The *third* amendment was then read, and agreed to.

The *fourth* amendment was read, and disagreed to.

The *fifth* amendment having been read,

Mr. Hunter moved to amend the same by striking out the following, viz: "At the same salary as that of the Auditor of the Post Office Department."

After debate,

Mr. Richardson moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put; and, under the operation thereof, the said amendment to the amendment of the Senate was agreed to.

Under the further operation of the previous question, the said amendment as amended was disagreed to.

The 6th, 7th, and 8th amendments were then severally read, and agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Davis, by unanimous consent, the following item was added to the bill at the end of the post-routes in Indiana, viz: "*From Point Commerce, via Middleburg, to Bowling Green.*"

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate with the action of the House upon their said amendments.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate insist upon their amendments, disagreed to by the House, and disagree to the amendments of the House to the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 337) "making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of the government for the year ending June 30, 1854," and ask a conference with the House upon the said disagreeing votes.

The Senate have appointed Mr. Hunter, Mr. Bell, and Mr. Bright managers at the said conference on their part.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Houston, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That the House insist upon their disagreement to the amendments insisted upon by the Senate, and also upon the amendments of the House, disagreed to by the Senate, to the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 337) "making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of the government for the year ending June 30, 1854;" and that the House agree to the conference asked for by the Senate upon the said disagreeing votes.

Ordered, That Mr. Houston, Mr. Stanly, and Mr. Dawson be the managers at the said conference on the part of the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Hall, by unanimous consent, the bill of the Senate (No. 612) "to incorporate the Georgetown and Catoctin Railroad Company," was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Pending the question on its third reading,
Mr. Hall moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Shall the bill be read a third time? And it was decided in the affirmative.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickens, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate insist upon their amendments, disagreed to by the House, to the bill of the House (No. 350) "making appropriations for the service of the Post Office Department for the year ending June 30, 1854," and ask a conference with the House upon the disagreeing votes of the two houses thereon.

The Senate have appointed Mr. Rusk, Mr. Soulé, and Mr. Fish managers at the said conference on their part.

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Colcock moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move that the bill of the Senate (No. 547) entitled "An act authorizing the adjustment of the claims of William Hazzard Wigg, deceased, for losses sustained by him during the war of the revolution," be taken from the Speaker's table.

And the question being put,

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 122
Nays..... 46

Two-thirds voting in favor thereof.

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abererombie
William Aiken
William Appleton
William S. Ashe
Thomas H. Averett
Thomas H. Bayly
James M. H. Beale
Thomas M. Bibighaus
Thomas S. Bocock
Richard I. Bowie
John Bragg
John C. Breckinridge
George Briggs
James Brooks
Albert G. Brown
George H. Brown
George H. Busby
E. Carrington Cabell
Thompson Campbell
David K. Cartter
John S. Caskie
Joseph R. Chandler
Elijah W. Chastain
William M. Churchwell
Lincoln Clark
Sherrard Clemens
Thomas L. Clingman
William F. Colcock
James L. Conger
Joseph S. Cottman
Carlton B. Curtis
John F. Darby
John L. Dawson

Mr. Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dinmick
David T. Disney
Alfred Dockery
Cyrus L. Dunham
Alfred P. Edgerton
Henry A. Edmundson
Charles J. Faulkner
Francis B. Fay
Graham N. Fitch
Thomas B. Florence
Henry M. Fuller
James Gamble
James M. Gaylord
John Z. Goodrich
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Isham G. Harris
Emanuel B. Hart
John H. H. Haws
Bernhart Henn
Alexander R. Holladay
George S. Houston
Volney E. Howard
Colin M. Ingersoll
Joseph W. Jackson
James Johnson
Robert W. Johnson
George W. Jones
J. Glancy Jones
Joseph H. Kuhns
William H. Kurtz
J. Aristide Landry

Mr. John Letcher
James Lockhart
Daniel Mace
Edward C. Marshall
Joseph W. McCorkle
James X. McLanahan
Fayette McMullen
John McNair
John McQueen
Richard K. Meade
John G. Miller
Henry D. Moore
John Moore
James T. Morehead
John A. Morrison
Charles Murphy
Benjamin D. Nabers
Edson B. Olds
James L. Orr
David Outlaw
Andrew Parker
Alexander G. Penn
Gilchrist Porter
Paulus Powell
William Preston
Rodman M. Price
William A. Richardson
George Read Riddle
John Robbins, jr.
John L. Robinson
Thomas Ross
Joseph Russell
John H. Savage

Mr. Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
Richardson Scurry
David L. Seymour
Origen S. Seymour
William W. Snow
Edward Stanly
Alexander H. Stephens
Louis St. Martin

Mr. Nathan T. Stratton
James F. Strother
Josiah Sutherland
John L. Taylor
Robert Toombs
Abraham W. Venable
Daniel Wallace
Thomas Y. Walsh

Mr. William T. Ward
Addison White
John A. Wilcox
Isaac Wildrick
Christopher H. Williams
Joseph A. Woodward
Richard Yates.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
John Allison
Nelson Barrere
Henry Bennett
John H. Boyd
Samuel Brenton
Joseph Cable
Lewis D. Campbell
Williamson R. W. Cobb
John G. Davis
James H. Duncan
Charles Durkee
Ben. C. Eastman
Alexander Evans
John G. Floyd
Joshua R. Giddings

Mr. Robert Goodenow
William Hebard
Jerediah Horsford
William F. Hunter
Willard Ives
Timothy Jenkins
George G. King
Preston King
Edward P. Little
Horace Mann
Frederick S. Martin
John S. Millson
William Murray
Eben Newton
Samuel W. Parker

Mr. Charles H. Peaslee
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Jared Perkins
Isaac Reed
Reuben Robie
William A. Sackett
Marius Schoonmaker
Charles Skelton
Thaddeus Stevens
Charles Sweetser
Benjamin B. Thurston
Norton S. Townsband
Henry S. Walbridge
Israel Washburn, jr.
John Wells.

So the rules were suspended.

And thereupon,

Mr. Colcock submitted his aforesaid motion;

And the question being put,

It was decided in the affirmative.

The said bill was accordingly taken up, and read a first and second time.

Pending the question on its third reading,

Mr. Colcock moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Shall the said bill be read a third time?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Colcock moved that the vote by which the said bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. George W. Jones, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That the House insist upon their disagreement to the amendments, insisted upon by the Senate, to the bill of the House (No. 350) "making appropriations for the service of the Post Office Department for the year ending June 30, 1854," and agree to the conference asked for by the Senate upon the said disagreeing votes.

Ordered, That Mr. George W. Jones, Mr. Haven, and Mr. Fitch be the managers at the said conference on the part of the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Stanly, by unanimous consent, submitted the following resolution; which was read, considered, and agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That the Speaker be requested to direct the Sergeant-at-arms and Doorkeeper to keep all persons, except members of Congress

and officers of the Senate and House, from coming within the bar of the House.

Mr. Wildrick, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, bills of the following titles, viz:

S. 586. An act to extend pre-emption rights to certain lands therein mentioned;

S. 7. An act to provide for the survey of the public lands in California, the granting of pre-emption privileges therein, and for other purposes;

S. 573. An act for the relief of John Charles Frémont, late lieutenant colonel in the army of the United States;" when

The Speaker signed the same.

Mr. Gorman, from the Committee on Printing, to whom was referred the resolution of the House (No. 31) "providing for printing and binding the returns of the Seventh Census," with the amendments of the Senate thereto, reported the same to the House.

The Speaker stated the question to be on agreeing to the said amendments.

And the question being put, Will the House agree thereto?

It was decided in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Gorman moved that the vote by which the said amendments were agreed to be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Gorman, from the Committee on Printing, submitted the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That there be printed, for the use of the House of Representatives, one hundred thousand extra copies of the Agricultural Report of the Patent Office, and ten thousand copies for the use of the Patent Office; and that fifty thousand extra copies of the Mechanical part be printed for the use of the House of Representatives, and ten thousand copies for the use of the Patent Office.

The same having been read,

Mr. Clingman moved to amend the said resolution so as to direct the printing of ten thousand extra copies of the Mechanical portion, and one hundred and forty thousand extra copies of the Agricultural portion of said report;

Pending which,

Mr. Gorman moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put; and, under the operation thereof, the said amendment was disagreed to.

Under the further operation of the previous question, the said resolution was agreed to.

Mr. Gorman, from the Committee on Printing, to whom was referred the resolution on the subject of printing extra copies of the Obituary Addresses upon the occasion of the death of the Hon. Daniel Webster, reported the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That there be printed and bound, under the direction of the Committee on Printing, thirty thousand copies of the Obituary Ad-

dresses delivered in the House and Senate on the death of the Hon. Daniel Webster.

And the question being put, Will the House agree thereto?

It was decided in the affirmative.

¶ Mr. Gorman moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Gorman, from the same committee, reported the following resolution; which was read, considered, and agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That five thousand extra copies of the report of the Superintendent of the Coast Survey for the year 1852 be printed—four thousand copies thereof for the use of the House, and the remainder for the use of the Coast Survey office; and that said report be printed and bound, with the plates, in quarto form.

On motion of Mr. Green, by unanimous consent, the joint resolution of the Senate (No. 51) "for the relief of the heir of John De Neufville and son" was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Pending the question on its third reading,

Mr. Green moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Shall the said resolution be read a third time.

And it was decided in the affirmative.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Green moved that the vote by which the said joint resolution was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Edmundson, the rules having been suspended for that purpose,

Mr. Isham G. Harris, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of Robert Gibson, reported a bill (No. 368) for his relief; which was read a first and second time.

Mr. Edmundson moved to amend the same by striking out "January 1, 1852," and inserting, in lieu thereof, "May 28, 1849;"

Pending which,

Mr. Isham G. Harris moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put; and, under the operation thereof, the said amendment was agreed to.

Under the further operation of the previous question, the said bill was ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

Being engrossed, it was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Mr. Isham G. Harris moved that the vote by which the said bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Abercrombie, by unanimous consent, the bill of the Senate (No. 622) entitled "An act authorizing changes in the location of land offices," was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Pending the question on its third reading,

Mr. Abercrombie moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Shall the said bill be read a third time?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Jackson, by unanimous consent, the bill of the Senate (No. 512) entitled "An act for the relief of Catharine Proctor Hayden, only child and heir of John White, deceased, late a lieutenant colonel in the 4th Georgia battalion of the revolutionary army," was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Pending the question on its third reading,

Mr. Jackson moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Shall the bill be read a third time?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

The bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Jackson moved that the vote by which the said bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have agreed to the report of the second committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the House (No. 335) "to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1853."

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Darby, the rules having been suspended for that purpose, the bill of the Senate (No. 469) entitled "An act for the relief of Captain Langdon C. Easton, assistant quartermaster United States army," was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Mr. Darby moved that the rule requiring the commitment of the said bill be suspended; which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

The bill was thereupon returned to the Speaker's table.

Mr. Carter moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to report, from the Committee on Patents, the bill of the Senate (No. 187) entitled "An act for the relief of George G. Bishop and the legal representatives of John Arnold, deceased;" which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Toombs, from the second committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the House (No. 335) "to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1853," submitted the following report, viz:

The committee have met, and, after full and free conference, have agreed to recommend, and do recommend, to the respective houses as follows:

That the House of Representatives do recede from its disagreement to the 4th and 8th amendments of the Senate.

That the Senate recede from its 9th amendment.

That the Senate concur in the amendments of the House of Representatives to the 3d, 5th, 11th, and 14th amendments of the Senate.

That the House recede from its disagreement to the provision contained in the 24th line of the 10th amendment of the Senate, and that the Senate concur in the other and additional amendments of the House to the said 10th amendment of the Senate.

That the Senate recede from the 1st, 2d, 5th, and 8th *clauses* of its 13th amendment.

That the House recede from its disagreement to the 13th, 20th, and 22d *clauses* of the 13th amendment of the Senate.

That the Senate concur in the amendments of the House to the 6th and 23d *clauses* of its 13th amendment.

That the Senate agree to the House amendment to the 12th clause of its 13th amendment, with an amendment, as follows: In line 25, of page 3, strike out the word "as," and insert "*which*."

That the Senate agree to the House amendment to the 16th *clause* of its 13th amendment, with an amendment, as follows: Strike out the second clause of said amendment contained in lines from 7 to 18, inclusive.

That the Senate recede from so much of its 15th amendment as is contained in the 8th section.

That the Senate recede from so much of its 15th amendment as is contained in the 6th section, and substitute the following:

"SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted, That the time for receiving bids under the act of 3d of July, 1852, for the erection of a mint in California, be extended to the 1st of April, 1853, and that the sum of \$300,000, appropriated by said act, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be applied only to the erection and putting in operation a mint in California, and not to the purchase of any building for that purpose.*"

That the Senate concur in the House amendment of so much of the 15th amendment of the Senate as is contained in the 4th section.

That the Senate concur in the House amendment of so much of the 15th amendment of the Senate as is contained in the 7th section, with the following amendments: After the word "thereof," in line 3 of House amendment, insert the words "*or at any assay office of the United States.*" Strike out the proviso in lines 8, 9, and 10 of said House amendment, and after the word "fineness," at the end of said House amendment, add the words "*and the said act entitled 'An act amendatory of existing laws relative to the half-dollar, quarter-dollar, dime, and half-dime,' shall take effect and be in full force from and after the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, anything therein to the contrary notwithstanding.*"

R. TOOMBS,
J. A. WOODWARD,
EDWARD C. MARSHALL,

On the part of the House.

R. M. T. HUNTER,
J. A. PEARCE,
J. P. WALKER,

On the part of the Senate.

The same having been read,
After debate,

Mr. Toombs moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Will the House agree to the said report?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Edmundson, the rules having been suspended for that purpose, submitted the following resolution; which was read, considered, and agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That the 16th joint rule of the two houses be suspended • so far as relates to the bill of the House (No. 368) "for the relief of Robert Gibson."

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate therein.

Mr. Riddle, from the Committee on Engraving, reported the following resolutions; which were read, considered, and agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That the Committee on Engraving be, and they are hereby, authorized to contract for the engraving accompanying the agricultural part of the report of the Commissioner of Patents: *Provided*, The cost thereof shall not exceed eight hundred dollars.

Resolved, That the Committee on Engraving be, and they are hereby, authorized to contract for engraving or lithographing six thousand five hundred and twenty sets of the maps accompanying the report of the Superintendent of the Coast Survey: *Provided*, That the cost shall not exceed six thousand five hundred and twenty dollars; also, one thousand five hundred and twenty copies of the map accompanying the correspondence of the Navy Department with Thomas Ap C. Jones and Edward Stanly: *Provided*, The cost shall not exceed one hundred and twenty dollars.

Mr. Hebard moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move to take from the Speaker's table the bill of the Senate (No. 147) entitled "An act for the relief of Ira Day, of Vermont;" which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have agreed to the amendments of this House to the amendments of the Senate, and insist upon their 4th and 5th amendments, disagreed to by the House, to the bill of the House (No. 364) "to establish certain post-roads."

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Olds, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That the House insist upon their disagreement to the 4th and 5th amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 364) "to establish certain post-roads," and ask a conference with the Senate upon the said disagreeing votes.

Ordered, That Mr. Olds, Mr. Schoolcraft, and Mr. Robinson be the managers at the said conference on the part of the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Outlaw, the rules having been suspended for that purpose, the bill of the Senate (No. 274) "for the relief of L. M. Golds-

borough and others," was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

The rule requiring its commitment having been suspended,

The House proceeded to its further consideration.

Ordered, That the said bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and, under the operation of the previous question, passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Outlaw moved that the vote by which the said bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Wildrick, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, bills of the following titles, viz:

S. 612. An act to incorporate the Georgetown and Catoctin Railroad Company;

S. 547. An act authorizing the adjustment and payment of the claims of William Hazzard Wigg, deceased, for losses sustained by him during the war of the revolution;

When

The Speaker signed the same.

Mr. Sackett moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move that the House do now proceed to the consideration of such private bills from the Senate as are on the Speaker's table; which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Snow moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move to take from the Speaker's table the bill of the Senate (No. 342) entitled "An act for the relief of Richard M. Bouton, George Wright, and the widow of Marvin W. Fisher;" which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Orr moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to report from the Committee on Public Lands the bill of the Senate (No. 116) entitled "An act to provide for the final settlement of the accounts of Jonathan Kearsley, late a receiver of public moneys at Detroit, and of John Biddle, late register of the land office at that place;" which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Daniel, the rules having been suspended for that purpose, submitted the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That there be paid, out of the contingent fund of the House of Representatives, to John Lee, an employee of the House, under a resolution passed on the 4th day of March, 1842, the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars, being the sum which he is entitled to receive under resolution passed on the 3d day of March, 1851, and which was improperly withheld from him;

Pending which,

Mr. Polk moved to amend the same by adding thereto the following:

"And that Samuel S. Thomas, who has been acting as page on the floor of the House of Representatives, be placed upon the same footing with the regular pages, and be paid the same compensation, commencing on the 6th of December last;"

Pending which,

Mr. Albert G. Brown moved to amend the said amendment by adding thereto the following, viz:

"And that the Clerk of the House of Representatives be, and he is hereby, directed to pay to John Lewis Hickman fifty cents per day for the time he has been actually employed as messenger or otherwise about the Capitol;"

Pending which,

Mr. Albert G. Brown moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz:

Will the House agree to the said amendment to the amendment?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

Under the further operation of the previous question, the said amendment as amended was agreed to.

The question was then put, Will the House agree to the said resolution as amended?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

So it was

Resolved, That there be paid, out of the contingent fund of the House of Representatives, to John Lee, an employee of the House, under a resolution passed on the 4th day of March, 1842, the sum of \$250, being the sum which he was entitled to receive under a resolution passed on the 3d day of March, 1851, and which was improperly withheld from him; that Samuel S. Thomas, who has been acting as page on the floor of the House of Representatives, be placed upon the same footing with the regular pages, and that he be paid the same compensation, commencing on the 6th of December last; and that the Clerk of the House of Representatives be, and he is hereby, directed to pay to John Lewis Hickman fifty cents per day for the time he has been actually employed as a messenger or otherwise about the Capitol.

Mr. Daniel moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Ficklin, by unanimous consent, the bill of the Senate (No. 236) entitled "An act to incorporate the Sisters of Visitation, in the District of Columbia," was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the said bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Landry, the rules having been suspended for that purpose, the resolution of the Senate (No. 44) "for the relief of the Spanish consul and other subjects of Spain residing at New Orleans, and of subjects of Spain residing at Key West, by indemnity for losses occasioned in the year 1851," was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

By unanimous consent, the House proceeded to its further consideration.

Ordered, That the said resolution be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Landry moved that the vote by which the said resolution was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a bill of this House of the following title, viz:

H. R. 362. An act making appropriations for light-houses, light-boats, buoys, &c., and providing for the erection and establishment of the same, and for other purposes, with amendments; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The Senate agree to the appointment of a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the House (No. 364) "to establish certain post-roads;" and have appointed Mr. Rusk, Mr. Dodge, and Mr. Chase managers at the said conference on the part of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Duncan, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That the bill of the House (No. 362) "making appropriations for light-houses, light-boats, buoys, &c., and providing for the erection and establishment of the same, and for other purposes," with the amendments of the Senate thereto, be referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. Duncan moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move that the resolution of the Senate (No. 79) "in amendment of a joint resolution relating to the duties of inspectors of steamers, approved the seventh day of January, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three," be taken from the Speaker's table; which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. McMullen moved that the House take a recess until 6 o'clock p. m.;

Pending which,

Mr. Martin moved a call of the House; which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurred on the motion of Mr. McMullen; and being put, no quorum voted.

Mr. McMullen made the point of order, that, a majority having voted affirmatively upon his motion for a recess, it was not necessary that a quorum should have voted, and consequently that the House had determined to take a recess.

The Speaker (Mr. Stuart in the chair) overruled the point of order, and decided that less than a quorum could not determine the question as to whether the House should take a recess.

From this decision of the Chair, Mr. Toombs appealed;

Pending which,

Mr. Robert W. Johnson moved a call of the House.

And the question being put,

It was decided in the negative, {	Yeas.....	49
	Nays.....	68

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. Thomas H. Averett
Thomas H. Bayly

Mr. Nelson Barrere
John H. Boyd

Mr. John Bragg
George H. Busby

Mr. Charles Chapman
Elijah W. Chaistain
Sherrard Clemens
William F. Colcock
John R. J. Daniel
John F. Darby
Milo M. Dimmick
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Alexander Evans
Graham N. Fitch
Thomas B. Florence
Henry M. Fuller
James M. Gaylord
Joshua B. Giddings

Mr. Ben. Edwards Grey
Galusha A. Grow
Emanuel B. Hart
William Hebard
Thomas A. Hendricks
Andrew Johnson
Robert W. Johnson
William H. Kurtz
James Lockhart
Daniel Mace
Frederick S. Martin
Joseph W. McCorkle
John McNair
John McQueen

Mr. John S. Millson
John A. Morrison
William Murray
James L. Orr
John S. Phelps
Rodman M. Price
Isaac Reed
Reuben Robie
David L. Seymour
William R. Smith
Charles E. Stuart
John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston
Norton S. Townshend.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Leander Babcock
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibbighaus
Thomas S. Bocock
Richard I. Bowie
Obadiah Bowne
George Briggs
George H. Brown
Joseph Cable
Lewis D. Campbell
Thompson Campbell
John S. Caskie
Joseph R. Chandler
Lincoln Clark
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
George T. Davis
Gilbert Dean
Cyrus L. Dunham
Ben. C. Eastman
Prestley Ewing
Francis B. Fay
Orlando B. Ficklin

Mr. John D. Freeman
James Gamble
Robert Goodenow
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Edward Hammond
Sampson W. Harris
John H. H. Haws
Augustus P. Hascall
Bernhart Henn
Harry Hibbard
Alexander R. Holladay
Jerediah Horsford
Volney E. Howard
Thomas M. Howe
Thomas Y. How, jr.
Colin M. Ingersoll
Joseph W. Jackson
George G. King
Joseph H. Kuhns
J. Aristide Landry
Edward P. Little
Fayette McMullen

Mr. Richard K. Meade
John Moore
James T. Morehead
Charles Murphy
Benjamin D. Nabers
David Outlaw
Alexander G. Penn
Ebenezer J. Penniman
William H. Polk
Paulus Powell
George Read Riddle
John Robbins, jr.
Lorenzo Sabine
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
Origen S. Seymour
Charles Skelton
Louis St. Martin
Abraham W. Venable
Israel Washburn, jr.
Albert G. Watkins
John Wells
Joseph A. Woodward.

So the House refused a call.

The question then recurring on the appeal taken by Mr. Toombs, Mr. McMullen withdrew his motion for a recess; and the said appeal consequently fell.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickens, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed the bill of the House (No. 342) entitled "An act making appropriations for the naval service for the year ending June 30, 1864," with sundry amendments; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Phelps, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That the said bill, H. R. 342, with the amendments of the Senate thereto, be committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. Haws, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, bills and a joint resolution of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 253. An act making an appropriation for the completion of the public buildings in the Territory of Minnesota;

H. R. 336. An act making appropriations for the support of the army for the year ending June 30, 1854;

H. R. 31. A joint resolution providing for printing and binding the returns of the Seventh Census;

When

The Speaker signed the same.

On motion of Mr. Phelps, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Orr reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 342) "making appropriations for the naval service for the year ending June 30, 1854," had found itself without a quorum, and that he had caused the roll to be called, when it appeared that the following named members were absent, viz:

James Abercrombie, William Aiken, Charles Allen, Willis Allen, John Allison, William Appleton, William S. Ashe, Leander Babcock, Thomas Bartlett, jr., James M. H. Beale, Hiram Bell, Henry Bennett, William H. Bissell, Richard I. Bowie, John C. Breckinridge, Albert G. Brown, George H. Brown, Armistead Burt, E. Carrington Cabell, Joseph P. Caldwell, Thompson Campbell, David K. Carter, Charles Chapman, William M. Churchwell, Lincoln Clark, Chauncey F. Cleveland, Joseph S. Cottman, William Cullom, Carlton B. Curtis, George T. Davis, John G. Davis, John L. Dawson, David T. Disney, Alfred Dockery, James Duane Doty, James H. Duncan, Charles Durkee, Ben. C. Eastman, Alfred P. Edgerton, Henry A. Edmundson, Presley Ewing, Charles J. Faulkner, Francis B. Fay, Orlando B. Ficklin, John D. Freeman, Thomas J. D. Fuller, Meredith P. Gentry, Willis A. Gorman, Frederick W. Green, Willard P. Hall, William T. Hamilton, Alexander Harper, Sampson W. Harris, Augustus P. Hascall, Solomon G. Haven, William Hebard, Thomas A. Hendricks, Junius Hillyer, George S. Houston, John W. Howe, William F. Hunter, Willard Ives, Timothy Jenkins, James Johnson, John Johnson, George W. Jones, J. Glancy Jones, George G. King, Preston King, Joseph H. Kuhns, J. Aristide Landry, John Letcher, Horace Mann, Edward C. Marshall, Frederick S. Martin, John C. Mason, Moses McDonald, James X. McInahan, James Meacham, Richard K. Meade, John G. Miller, Ahiman L. Miner, Richard S. Molony, Henry D. Moore, John Moore, Edson B. Olds, Samuel W. Parker, Charles H. Peaslee, Jared Perkins, William H. Polk, Gilchrist Porter, Paulus Powell, William Preston, William A. Richardson, John L. Robinson, Thomas Ross, Joseph Russell, Lorenzo Sabine, William A. Sackett, John H. Savage, John L. Schoolcraft, Marius Schoonmaker, Zeno Scudder, Richardson Scurry, Ephraim K. Smart, William R. Smith, William W. Snow, Edward Stanly, Benjamin Stanton, Frederick P. Stanton, Richard H. Stanton, Alexander H. Stephens, Thaddeus Stevens, James W. Stone, Louis St. Martin, Josiah Sutherland, Robert Toombs, Amos Tuck, Abraham W. Venable, Daniel Wallace, Thomas Y. Walsh, William T. Ward, Albert G. Watkins, John Welch, Addison White, Alexander White, John A. Wilcox, Christopher H. Williams, Richard Yates.

On motion of Mr. Dean,

Ordered, That there be a call of the House.

The roll having been called, the following named members failed to answer to their names, viz :

James Abercrombie, Willis Allen, William Appleton, William S. Ashe, Leander Babcock, Thomas Bartlett, jr., James M. H. Beale, Hiram Bell, William H. Bissell, Richard I. Bowie, John Bragg, John C. Breckinridge, Samuel Brenton, George Briggs, James Brooks, George H. Brown, Armistead Burt, E. Carrington Cabell, Joseph Cable, Joseph P. Caldwell, Thompson Campbell, David K. Cartter, William M. Churchwell, Lincoln Clark, Chauncey F. Cleveland, Thomas L. Clingman, Joseph S. Cottman, William Cullom, Carlton B. Curtis, John R. J. Daniel, George T. Davis, John G. Davis, David T. Disney, Alfred Dockery, James H. Duncan, Charles Durkee, Alfred P. Edgerton, Charles J. Faulkner, Francis B. Fay, Orlando B. Ficklin, Henry M. Fuller, Thomas J. D. Fuller, Meredith P. Gentry, Alfred Gilmore, Frederick W. Green, Willard P. Hall, William T. Hamilton, Alexander Harper, Augustus P. Hascall, Solomon G. Haven, William Hebard, Bernhart Henn, Junius Hillyer, George S. Houston, John W. Howe, Timothy Jenkins, James Johnson, George W. Jones, Preston King, Joseph H. Kuhns, John Letcher, Frederick S. Martin, John C. Mason, Moses McDonald, James X. McLanahan, Fayette McMullen, James Meacham, John G. Miller, Ahiman L. Miner, Richard S. Molony, Eben Newton, Samuel W. Parker, Charles H. Peaslee, Jared Perkins, William H. Polk, Gilchrist Porter, Paulus Powell, William Preston, Rodman M. Price, William A. Richardson, Thomas Ross, Joseph Russell, William A. Sackett, John H. Savage, Abr'm M. Schermerhorn, John L. Schoolcraft, Marius Schoonmaker, Zeno Scudder, Richardson Scurry, Ephraim K. Smart, William R. Smith, Edward Stanly, Benjamin Stanton, Frederick P. Stanton, Richard H. Stanton, Alexander H. Stephens, James W. Stone, Josiah Sutherland, Amos Tuck, Daniel Wallace, Thomas Y. Walsh, William T. Ward, Albert G. Watkins, John Welch, Addison White, Alexander White, John A. Wilcox, Christopher H. Williams, Richard Yates.

Mr. Ewing moved that all further proceedings in the call be dispensed with; which motion was disagreed to.

The doors were then closed, and excuses were offered and received for the non-attendance of Mr. Willis Allen and Mr. Ashe.

And then,

On motion of Mr. Olds, all further proceedings in the call were dispensed with.

A quorum having appeared,

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Orr reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 342) "making appropriations for the naval service for the year ending June 30, 1854," had come to no resolution thereon.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have agreed to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the House (No. 364) "to establish certain post-roads."

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Olds, from the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the House (No. 364) "to establish certain post-roads," submitted the following report, viz:

The committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses upon House bill No. 364, entitled "A bill establishing certain post-routes, and for other purposes," have had a full and free conference, and have agreed upon the following report, to wit: That it be recommended that the House agree to the fourth amendment of the Senate, with the following amendment, to wit: Strike out all of said amendment after the word "Ohio," in the fifth line, and insert, "the same commission on all mailable matter distributed at their respective offices as is allowed by law to the postmasters of the other distributing offices, such allowance to date from the 1st day of June, 1851."

That the House agree to the fifth amendment of the Senate, with the following amendment: Strike out all after the word "Senate," in the fifth line.

The same having been read,

The question was put, Will the House agree thereto?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Duncan, by unanimous consent, from the Committee on Commerce, to whom was referred the bill of the House (No. 362) "making appropriations for light-houses, light-boats, buoys, &c., and providing for the erection and establishment of the same, and for other purposes," with the amendments of the Senate thereto, reported the same to the House.

Ordered, That the said bill and amendments be committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. Robert W. Johnson submitted the following resolution; which was read, considered, and agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That all debate in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union on the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 342) "making appropriations for the naval service for the year ending June 30, 1854," shall cease in five minutes after the committee resume its consideration, and the committee shall then proceed to vote on such amendments as may be pending or offered to the same, and the committee shall then report them to the House with such amendments as may have been agreed to by the committee.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have receded from their 1st, 3d, and 6th amendments, disagreed to by the House, to the bill of the House (No. 350) "making appropriations for the service of the Post Office Department for the year ending June 30, 1854."

On motion of Mr. Robert W. Johnson,

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Orr reported that the commit-

tee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 342) "making appropriations for the naval service for the year ending June 30, 1854," had come to no resolution thereon.

Mr. Bayly moved that the five-minutes rule, so far as relates to the 27th amendment (dry-dock and basin in California) of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 342) be suspended; which motion was agreed to—two-thirds voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Thomas Y. How, jr., from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, bills and resolutions of the following titles, viz:

S. R. 51. A resolution for the relief of the heir of John De Neufville and son;

S. 274. An act for the relief of L. M. Goldsborough and others;

S. 236. An act to incorporate the Sisters of Visitation of Washington, in the District of Columbia;

S. 512. An act for the relief of Catharine Proctor Hayden, only child and heir of John White, deceased, late a lieutenant colonel in the 4th Georgia battalion of the revolutionary army;

S. 622. An act authorizing changes in the location of land offices;

S. R. 44. A resolution for the relief of the Spanish consul and other subjects of Spain residing at New Orleans, and of subjects of Spain residing at Key West, by indemnity for losses occasioned in the year 1851;

When

The Speaker signed the same.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have agreed to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the Senate (No. 337) "making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of the government for the year ending June 30, 1854."

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Houston, from the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the House (No. 337) "making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of the government for the year ending June 30, 1854," submitted the following report, viz:

The committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill (H. R. No. 337) entitled "An act making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of the government for the year ending June 30, 1854," have met, and, after full and free conference, have agreed to recommend, and do recommend, to the respective houses as follows:

That the Senate recede from its 9th, 10th, 11th, 13th, 14th, 16th, 17th, 30th, 32d, 34th, 37th, 40th, 48th, 56th, 58th, 75th, 81st, 84th, 86th, 89th, 97th, 100th, and 103d amendments.

That the House recede from its disagreement to the 1st, 23d, 29th, 31st, 46th, 47th, 60th, 82d, and 83d amendments of the Senate.

That the Senate concur in the amendments of the House to its 44th, 67th, and 102d amendments.

That the House recede from its disagreement to the second amendment of the Senate, and agree thereto with an amendment, as follows: "After the word 'dollars,' in line twenty, page second, of the original bill, insert: 'And, to enable the Clerk of the House of Representatives to comply with the resolution of said House of March 1, 1853, directing him to pay the usual extra compensation to the employees in and about the Capitol, a sum sufficient for that purpose is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, and is hereby added to the contingent fund of said House.'"

That the House recede from its disagreement to the 7th amendment of the Senate, and agree thereto, with an amendment, as follows: "After the second line, insert: 'In pursuance of contracts already made;'" and at the end of line three add: "*Provided*, That this appropriation shall finish the publication."

That the House recede from its disagreement to so much of the 35th amendment of the Senate as is contained in lines one, two, three, four, and to and including the word "erected" in line five, and that the Senate recede from the residue thereof.

That the House recede from its disagreement to the 42d amendment of the Senate, and agree to the following substitute for said amendment, and that the Senate concur therein, to wit:

"*It is hereby provided*, That the limitations upon the cost of the site and building of the custom-house in Richmond, Virginia, imposed by the act of August 31, 1852, are hereby removed and repealed."

That the House recede from its disagreement to the 49th amendment of the Senate, and agree thereto with an amendment, as follows: "*Provided*, That the ministers resident herein authorized shall not receive more compensation than is now paid to a chargé d'affaires."

That the House recede from its disagreement to the 61st amendment of the Senate, and agree thereto with an amendment, as follows: "Strike out '\$50,000,' and insert '\$30,000.'"

That the House recede from its disagreement to the 62d amendment of the Senate, and agree thereto with an amendment, as follows: "Strike out '\$150,000,' and insert '\$100,000.'"

That the House recede from its disagreement to the 77th amendment of the Senate, and agree thereto with an amendment, as follows: "Strike out lines fourteen and fifteen to and including the word 'Interior.'"

That the House recede from its disagreement to the 99th amendment of the Senate, and agree thereto with an amendment, as follows: "Add at the end of said Senate amendment, '*Provided*, That the sum of \$10,000 thereof be invested for the benefit of the family of said Mills, and after his death to be given to such children of said Mills as may survive him.'"

The same having been read,

Mr. Houston moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Will the House agree to the said report?

And it was decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 68
Nays..... 106

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. William Aiken	Mr. Thomas J. D. Fuller	Mr. James L. Orr
William S. Ashe	James Gamble	Charles H. Peaslee
Richard I. Bowie	Alfred Gilmore	Alexander G. Penn
John Bragg	John Z. Goodrich	William H. Polk
John C. Breckinridge	Ben. Edwards Grey	Rodman M. Price
Samuel Brenton	Edward Hammond	George Read Riddle
George Briggs	Sampson W. Harris	John Robbins, jr.
George H. Brown	Emanuel B. Hart	Reuben Robie
Thompson Campbell	George S. Houston	Joseph Russell
John S. Caskie	Volney E. Howard	Lorenzo Sabine
Joseph R. Chandler	Joseph W. Jackson	David L. Seymour
William F. Colcock	Robert W. Johnson	Edward Stanly
John F. Darby	J. Glancy Jones	Frederick P. Stanton
George T. Davis	George G. King	Louis St. Martin
John L. Dawson	Joseph H. Kuhns	James F. Strother
Alfred P. Edgerton	William H. Kurtz	Charles E. Stuart
Henry A. Edmundson	J. Aristide Landry	Josiah Sutherland
Alexander Evans	James Lockhart	John L. Taylor
Presley Ewing	Edward C. Marshall	Benjamin B. Thurston
Charles J. Faulkner	John C. Mason	Thomas Y. Walsh
Francis B. Fay	Joseph W. McCorkle	William T. Ward
Thomas B. Florence	Moses McDonald	Addison White.
Henry M. Fuller	Henry D. Moore	

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie	Mr. James M. Gaylord	Mr. James T. Morehead
Charles Allen	Joshua R. Giddings	John A. Morrison
John Allison	Willis A. Gorman	Charles Murphy
Thomas H. Averett	Galusha A. Grow	William Murray
Nelson Barrere	Isham G. Harris	Benjamin D. Nabers
Hiram Bell	Augustus P. Hascall	Edson B. Olds
Henry Bennett	Solomon G. Haven	David Outlaw
Thomas M. Bibbighaus	William Hebard	Andrew Parker
Thomas S. Bocock	Thomas A. Hendricks	Samuel W. Parker
Obadiah Bowne	Bernhart Henn	Ebenezer J. Penniman
Albert G. Brown	Harry Hibbard	Jared Perkins
Lorenzo Burrows	Alexander R. Holladay	Isaac Reed
George H. Busby	Jerediah Horsford	John L. Robinson
Joseph Cable	Thomas Y. How, jr.	Thomas Ross
David K. Cartter	William F. Hunter	William A. Sackett
Elijah W. Chastain	Collin M. Ingersoll	John L. Schoolcraft
William M. Churchwell	Willard Ives	Marius Schoonmaker
Lincoln Clark	Timothy Jenkins	Richardson Scurry
Sherrard Clemens	Andrew Johnson	Origen S. Seymour
Chauncey F. Cleveland	James Johnson	Charles Skelton
Thomas L. Clingman	John Johnson	William R. Smith
Williamson R. W. Cobb	Daniel T. Jones	Abr'm P. Stephens
James L. Conger	George W. Jones	Alexander H. Stephens
Carlton B. Curtis	Preston King	Thaddeus Stevens
John R. J. Daniel	John Letcher	Nathan T. Stratton
John G. Davis	Edward P. Little	Charles Sweetser
Gilbert Dean	Daniel Mace	Robert Toombs
Milo M. Dimmick	Horace Mann	Norton S. Townshend
David T. Disney	Frederick S. Martin	Abraham W. Venable
Alfred Dockery	James X. McLanahan	Henry S. Walbridge
James Duane Doty	Fayette McMullen	Israel Washburn, jr.
Cyrus L. Dunham	John McNair	John Wells
Ben. C. Eastman	John McQueen	Isaac Wildrick
Orlando B. Ficklin	Richard K. Meade	Joseph A. Woodward
Graham N. Fitch	John S. Millson	Richard Yates.
John D. Freeman		

So the said report was disagreed to.

Mr. Meade moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered.

After debate, and pending the question thereon,
Mr. Venable moved that the said motion to reconsider be laid on the table.

And the question being put on the latter motion,

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 90
Nays..... 83

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James Abercrombie
John Allison
Nelson Barrere
James M. H. Beale
Hiram Bell
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibighaus
Obadiah Bowne
John H. Boyd
Lorenzo Burrows
George H. Busby
E. Carrington Cabell
Joseph Cable
Lewis D. Campbell
David K. Cartter
Charles Chapman
William M. Churchill
Sherrard Clemens
Chauncey F. Cleveland
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
John R. J. Daniel
John G. Davis
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick
Alfred Dockery
James Duane Doty
Cyrus L. Dunham
Charles Durkee
Ben. C. Eastman

Mr. Henry A. Edmundson
Presley Ewing
Orlando B. Ficklin
John D. Freeman
Henry M. Fuller
Joshua R. Giddings
Ben. Edwards Grey
Galusha A. Grow
Isham G. Harris
Augustus P. Hascall
Solomon G. Haven
William Hebard
Thomas M. Howe
Thomas Y. How, jr.
Willard Ives
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
James Johnson
John Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George W. Jones
Preston King
John Letcher
Edward P. Little
Daniel Mace
Horace Mann
Frederick S. Martin
Joseph W. McCorkle
James X. McLanahan
John McNair

Mr. John McQueen
John Moore
Charles Murphy
William Murray
Benjamin D. Nabers
Eben Newton
David Outlaw
Andrew Parker
Samuel W. Parker
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Jared Perkins
Isaac Reed
Thomas Ross
William A. Sackett
John L. Schoolcraft
Marius Schoonmaker
Richardson Scurry
Origen S. Seymour
Alexander H. Stephens
Thaddeus Stevens
James W. Stone
Nathan T. Stratton
Robert Toombs
Norton S. Townshend
Abraham W. Venable
Henry S. Walbridge
Israel Washburn, jr.
John Wells
Isaac Wildrick
Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. William Aiken
John Appleton
William Appleton
William S. Ashe
Leander Babcock
Richard I. Bowie
John Bragg
John C. Breckinridge
Samuel Brenton
George Briggs
James Brooks
Thompson Campbell
John S. Caskie
Joseph B. Chandler
William F. Colcock
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
John L. Dawson
David T. Disney
James H. Duncan
Alfred P. Edgerton
Alexander Evans
Charles J. Faulkner

Mr. Thomas B. Florence
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James Gamble
James M. Gaylord
Alfred Gilmore
Robert Goodenow
John Z. Goodrich
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Willard P. Hall
Edward Hammond
Sampson W. Harris
Emanuel B. Hart
John H. H. Haws
Thomas A. Hendricks
Alexander R. Holladay
Jerediah Horsford
George S. Houston
Volney E. Howard
Joseph W. Jackson
Robert W. Johnson
J. Glancy Jones
George G. King

Mr. Joseph H. Kuhns
William H. Kurtz
J. Aristide Landry
James Lockhart
Edward C. Marshall
John C. Mason
Moses McDonald
Richard K. Meade
John S. Millson
Henry D. Moore
John A. Morrison
James L. Orr
Charles H. Peaslee
Alexander G. Penn
William H. Polk
William Preston
Rodman M. Price
George Read Riddle
John Robbins, jr.
Reuben Robie
John L. Robinson
Joseph Russell
Lorenzo Sabine

Mr. David L. Seymour
Edward Stanly
Frederick P. Stanton
Louis St. Martin
Charles E. Stuart

Mr. Josiah Sutherland
Charles Sweetser
John L. Taylor
Benjamin B. Thurston
Thomas Y. Walsh

Mr. William T. Ward
Addison White
John A. Wilcox
Richard Yates.

So the motion to reconsider the vote by which the said report was disagreed to was laid on the table.

Mr. Wildrick, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, bills of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 364. An act to establish certain post-roads, and for other purposes;

H. R. 350. An act making appropriations for the service of the Post Office Department for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854;

H. R. 335. An act to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the service of the fiscal year ending the 30th of June, 1853; when

The Speaker signed the same.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed a bill of this House of the following title, viz:

H. R. 333. An act making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian department, and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with various Indian tribes, for the year ending June 30, 1854, with sundry amendments; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The Senate have also passed a bill of this House of the following title, viz:

H. R. 349. An act making appropriations for the transportation of the United States mail, by ocean steamers and otherwise, during the fiscal year ending the 30th of June, 1854, with amendments; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The Senate have adopted a resolution suspending the 17th joint rule of the two houses for the remainder of the present session; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

By unanimous consent, the resolution of the Senate suspending the 17th joint rule of the two houses was taken up, and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

A message from the President of the United States was received by the hands of Millard P. Fillmore, his private secretary, notifying the House that he did, on the 2d instant, approve and sign bills of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 348. An act to establish the territorial government of Washington;

H. R. 357. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to amend an act to settle and adjust the expenses of the people of Oregon from attacks and hostilities of Cayuse Indians in the years 1847 and 1848," approved August 21, 1852;

H. R. 365. An act for the relief of Edward Box;

H. R. 366. An act authorizing the selectmen of the town of Chelsea,

in the State of Massachusetts, to lay out and make a way on lands of the United States in said town;

H. R. 332. An act making appropriations for the support of the Military Academy for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854;

H. R. 184. An act for the relief of B. B. Bennett:

And that he did, on this day, approve and sign a bill and joint resolution of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 253. An act making an appropriation for the completion of the public buildings in the Territory of Minnesota; and

H. R. 31. Joint resolution providing for printing and binding the returns of the Seventh Census.

On motion of Mr. Stuart,

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Orr reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 342) "making appropriations for the naval service for the year ending June 30, 1852," had come to no resolution thereon.

Mr. Hall moved that the House ask a second conference with the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two houses upon the bill of the House (No. 337) "making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of the government for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854."

And the question being put, under the operation of the previous question, it was decided in the affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Hall, Mr. Fitch, and Mr. Evans be the managers at the said conference on the part of the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Gorman moved that the rule authorizing five minutes' debate on the 37th amendment of the Senate to the bill H. R. 342 (naval appropriation) be suspended; which motion was agreed to—two-thirds voting in favor thereof.

On motion of Mr. Gorman,

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Orr reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 342) "making appropriations for the naval service for the year ending June 30, 1854," had come to no resolution thereon.

Mr. Isham G. Harris moved that the rule authorizing five minutes' debate on the 38th amendment of the Senate to the bill H. R. 342 (naval appropriation) be suspended; which motion was agreed to—two-thirds voting in favor thereof.

On motion of Mr. Isham G. Harris,

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein,

the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Orr reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 342) "making appropriations for the naval service for the year ending June 30, 1854," had come to no resolution thereon.

Mr. Albert G. Brown moved that the rule authorizing five minutes' debate be suspended so far as relates to the 40th amendment of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 342) making appropriations for the naval service, &c.; which motion was agreed to—two-thirds voting in favor thereof.

On motion of Mr. Albert G. Brown, the House again resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Orr reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 342) "making appropriations for the naval service for the year ending June 30, 1854," had come to no resolution thereon.

Mr. Dean moved that the rule authorizing five minutes' debate be suspended so far as relates to the 42d amendment of the Senate to the bill of the House No. 342 (naval appropriation;) which motion was agreed to—two-thirds voting in favor thereof.

On motion of Mr. Phelps,

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Orr reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 342) "making appropriations for the naval service for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854," had directed him to report the same, recommending agreement to some, disagreement to others, and agreement to others of the said amendments, with amendments.

The Speaker having stated the question to be on agreeing to the said amendments,

Mr. Frederick P. Stanton moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put; and, under the operation thereof, the said amendments, with the exception of the 12th, 26th, 27th, 27½th, 38th, and 42d, were severally disagreed to.

The 26th and 27th amendments were severally agreed to; and the 12th and 38th amendments severally amended, and, as amended, agreed to.

The 27½th amendment was then read, as follows, viz:

"And the Secretary of the Navy is hereby directed to complete and carry into execution the verbal contract for a basin and railway in California, in connexion with the floating dry-dock, as made by the late Secretary, in pursuance of authority for that purpose given by the act of September the twenty-eighth, one thousand eight hundred and fifty, entitled 'An act making appropriations for the naval service for the year ending the thirtieth of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-

one," and as stated in the letter of the said late Secretary, addressed to the honorable Howell Cobb, Speaker of the House of Representatives, and dated the twenty-first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, toward the execution of which one hundred and fifty thousand dollars is hereby appropriated: *Provided*, That in the judgment of the Secretary such basin and railway are necessary, and will be useful to the public service."

And the question being put, Will the House agree thereto?

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas..... 81
Nays 72

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. David J. Bailey
Henry Bennett
Thomas S. Bocock
Richard I. Bowie
Obadiah Bowne
John C. Breckinridge
George Briggs
Albert G. Brown
George H. Brown
George H. Busby
E. Carrington Cabell
Joseph Cable
Thompson Campbell
John S. Caskie
Chauncey F. Cleveland
James L. Conger
Joseph S. Cottman
Carlton B. Curtis
George T. Davis
Gilbert Dean
David T. Disney
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Cyrus L. Dunham
Presley Ewing
Graham N. Fitch
Thomas B. Florence

Mr. John D. Freeman
Henry M. Fuller
James M. Gaylord
Alfred Gilmore
Robert Goodenow
John Z. Goodrich
Frederick W. Green
Ben. Edwards Grey
Galusha A. Grow
Emanuel B. Hart
John H. H. Haws
Alexander R. Holladay
Colin M. Ingersoll
Joseph W. Jackson
Robert W. Johnson
Edward P. Little
James Lockhart
Daniel Mace
Horace Mann
Edward C. Marshall
Frederick S. Martin
John C. Mason
Joseph W. McCorkle
Moses McDonald
John McNair
Richard S. Molony
Henry D. Moore

Mr. John A. Morrison
Edson B. Olds
Alexander G. Penn
William H. Polk
Rodman M. Price
George Read Riddle
Reuben Robie
John L. Robinson
Lorenzo Sabine
William A. Sackett
John H. Savage
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
John L. Schoolcraft
David L. Seymour
William W. Snow
Frederick P. Stanton
Abr'm P. Stephens
James F. Strother
Josiah Sutherland
Charles Sweetser
Benjamin B. Thurston
Thomas Y. Walsh
William T. Ward
Israel Washburn, jr.
Addison White
John A. Wilcox
Richard Yates.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. William Aiken
John Allison
Leander Babcock
Nelson Barrere
John H. Boyd
Charles Chapman
William M. Churchwell
Lincoln Clark
Sherrard Clemens
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
William F. Colecock
John F. Darby
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Milo M. Dimmick
Alfred Dockery
Charles Durkee
Ben. C. Eastman
John G. Floyd
Thomas J. D. Fuller

Mr. Joshua R. Giddings
Willard P. Hall
Isham G. Harris
Augustus P. Hascall
Solomon G. Haven
Thomas A. Hendricks
Harry Hibbard
Jerediah Horsford
George S. Houston
Thomas M. Howe
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
John Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George W. Jones
George G. King
Preston King
William H. Kurtz
J. Aristide Landry
John Letcher
John McQueen

Mr. John S. Millson
James T. Morehead
Charles Murphy
William Murray
Eben Newton
James L. Orr
David Outlaw
Andrew Parker
Samuel W. Parker
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Jared Perkins
John S. Phelps
William Preston
John Robbins, jr.
Thomas Ross
Joseph Russell
Richardson Scurry
Charles Skelton
Edward Stanley
Alexander H. Stephens
Nathan T. Stratton

Mr. Charles E. Stuart
John L. Taylor
Robert Toombs

Mr. Norton S. Townshend
Abraham W. Venable
Henry S. Walbridge

Mr. John Wells
Isaac Wildrick
Joseph A. Woodward.

So the said amendment was agreed to.

The Speaker then stated the question to be on agreeing to the 42d amendment of the Senate, (providing for a reorganization of the navy;)

Pending which,

Mr. Alexander H. Stephens moved that the bill and amendments be laid on the table; which motion was disagreed to.

The question again recurring on the said 42d amendment,

The reading of the same was called for.

Mr. Polk moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move that the reading of the said amendment be dispensed with; which motion was agreed to—two-thirds voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Polk accordingly submitted his said motion;

And the question being put, it was decided in the affirmative.

So it was

Ordered, That the reading of the said amendment be dispensed with.

The Speaker having again stated the question to be on agreeing to the said amendment,

Mr. Alexander H. Stephens asked a division of the question, so that a separate vote might be taken upon the different sections comprised in the amendment.

The Speaker decided that the question was indivisible, and that the vote must be taken upon the entire amendment.

From this decision of the Chair, Mr. Alexander H. Stephens appealed;

Pending which,

Mr. Dean moved that the appeal be laid on the table;

Pending which,

Mr. Alexander H. Stephens moved, at 12 o'clock and 30 minutes a. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurred on the motion of Mr. Dean;

And being put, it was decided in the affirmative.

So the appeal was laid on the table.

The question was then put on agreeing to the said 42d amendment,

And it was decided in the negative, { Yeas 39
Nays 106

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. William Appleton
David J. Bailey
Henry Bennett
Thomas S. Bocock
Richard I. Bowie
Obadiah Bowne
James Brooks
Lorenzo Burrows
E. Carrington Cabell
John S. Caskie
Joseph R. Chandler
Joseph S. Cottman
George T. Davis

Mr. James H. Duncan
Henry A. Edmundson
Charles J. Faulkner
Thomas B. Florence
Alfred Gilmore
Robert Goodenow
John H. Haws
Alexander R. Holladay
Joseph W. Jackson
Joseph W. McCorkle
Rodman M. Price
George Read Riddle
Lorenzo Sabine

Mr. Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
Marius Schoonmaker
Edward Stanly
Frederick P. Stanton
Abr'm P. Stephens
Louis St. Martin
James F. Strother
Josiah Sutherland
Charles Sweetser
John L. Taylor
Thomas Y. Wals
William T. Ward
Israel Washburn, Jr.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. William Aiken
John Allison
Nelson Barrere
Thomas M. Bibighaus
John C. Breckinridge
George H. Busby
Joseph Cable
Lewis D. Campbell
Thompson Campbell
David K. Cartter
Charles Chapman
William M. Churchwell
Sherrard Clemens
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
William F. Colcock
John F. Darby
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick
David T. Disney
Cyrus L. Dunham
Ben. C. Eastman
Alfred P. Edgerton
Presley Ewing
Orlando B. Ficklin
Graham N. Fitch
John G. Floyd
Henry M. Fuller
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James M. Gaylord
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Ben. Edwards Grey
Galusha A. Grow

Mr. Willard P. Hall
Isaham G. Harris
Sampson W. Harris
Emanuel B. Hart
Augustus P. Hascall
William Hebard
Thomas A. Hendricks
Harry Hibbard
Jerediah Horsford
George S. Houston
Thomas M. Howe
Thomas Y. How, jr.
Colin M. Ingersoll
Andrew Johnson
John Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George G. King
William H. Kurtz
John Letcher
Edward P. Little
James Lockhart
Daniel Mace
Horace Mann
Edward C. Marshall
Frederick S. Martin
John C. Mason
Moses McDonald
Fayette McMullen
John McNair
John McQueen
Richard K. Meade
John S. Millson
Henry D. Moore
James T. Morehead
John A. Morrison

Mr. William Murray
Eben Newton
James L. Orr
David Outlaw
Andrew Parker
Samuel W. Parker
Charles H. Peaselee
Alexander G. Penn
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Jared Perkins
John S. Phelps
William H. Polk
William Preston
William A. Richardson
John Robbins, jr.
Reuben Robie
John L. Robinson
Joseph Russell
John H. Savage
John L. Schoolcraft
Richardson Scurry
David L. Seymour
Origen S. Seymour
William W. Snow
Alexander H. Stephens
James W. Stone
Benjamin B. Thurston
Robert Toombs
Norton S. Townshend
Abraham W. Venable
Henry S. Walbridge
John Wells
John A. Wilcox
Joseph A. Woodward
Richard Yates.

So the said amendment was disagreed to.

All of the said amendments having been disposed of,

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate with the proceedings of the House thereon.

A message was received from the President of the United States, by Millard P. Fillmore, his private secretary, notifying the House that he did, on this day, approve and sign bills of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 335. An act to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1853;

H. R. 336. An act making appropriations for the support of the army for the year ending 30th of June, 1854;

H. R. 350. An act making appropriations for the service of the Post Office Department for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854;

H. R. 364. An act to establish certain post-roads, and for other purposes.

On motion of Mr. Phelps, by unanimous consent, the bill of the House (No. 349) "making appropriations for the transportation of the United States mail, by ocean steamers and otherwise, during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1854," with the amendments of the Senate thereto, was taken up.

The Speaker having stated the question to be on agreeing to the amendment of the Senate,

Mr. Houston moved to amend the same by adding thereto the following as an additional section, viz:

"SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That upon the application of either of the companies contracting to carry the mail in ocean steamers from New York to Havre, or from New York to Bremen, the Postmaster General is hereby authorized to discharge such company from said contract: *Provided*, That no further compensation shall be paid to either of said companies after such discharge from its contract."

And the question being put, Will the House agree to the said amendment to the amendment?

It was decided in the affirmative.

The said amendment as amended was then agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the said amendment to the amendment.

On motion of Mr. Phelps, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That the bill of the House (No. 333) "making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian department, and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with various Indian tribes, for the year ending June 30, 1854," with the amendments of the Senate thereto, be committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

On motion of Mr. Phelps,

The House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Orr reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 333) "making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian department, and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with various Indian tribes, for the year ending June 30, 1854," had come to no resolution thereon.

Mr. Thomas M. Howe moved that the rule authorizing five minutes' debate, so far as relates to the 9th amendment of the Senate to the bill of the House No. 333, (Indian appropriation,) be suspended; which motion was agreed to—two-thirds voting in favor thereof.

On motion of Mr. Phelps,

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and, after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Orr reported that the committee having, according to order, had the state of the Union generally under consideration, and particularly the amendments of the Senate to the bills of the House (No. 333) "making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian department, and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with various Indian tribes, for the year ending June 30, 1854," and (No. 362) "making appropriations for light-houses, light-boats, buoys, &c., and providing for the erection and establishment of the same, and for other purposes," had directed him to report the same, recommending concurrence in all of the amendments of the Senate to the latter, and concurrence in some, and disagreement to others, of the amendments of the Senate to the former of said bills.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments of the

Senate to the bill of the House (No. 362) "making appropriations for light-houses, light-boats, buoys, &c., and providing for the erection and establishment of the same, and for other purposes;" when they were severally read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

The House next proceeded to the consideration of the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 333) "making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian department, and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with various Indian tribes, for the year ending June 30, 1854; when

The 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, and 7th amendments were agreed to; and the 5th, 6th, 8th, 9th, and 10th amendments disagreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickens, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate insist upon their amendments, disagreed to by the House, disagree to the amendments of the House to the amendments of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 342) "making appropriations for the naval service for the year ending June 30, 1854," and ask a conference with the House upon the disagreeing votes of the two houses thereon; and have appointed Mr. Gwin, Mr. Soule, and Mr. Dawson managers at the said conference on their part.

The Senate have agreed to the appointment of a second conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the House (No. 337) "making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of the government for the year ending June 30, 1854, and have appointed Mr. Hunter, Mr. Bell, and Mr. Bright managers at the said conference on their part.

The Senate have agreed to the amendment of this House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill of the House (No. 349) "making appropriations for the transportation of the United States mail, by ocean steamers and otherwise, during the fiscal year ending June, 30, 1854."

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Phelps, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That the House insist upon their amendments, disagreed to by the House, to the amendments of the Senate, and also upon their disagreement to the amendments, insisted upon by the Senate, to the bill of the House (No. 342) "making appropriations for the naval service for the year ending June 30, 1854, and agree to the conference asked by the Senate upon the said disagreeing votes.

Ordered, That Mr. Phelps, Mr. William Appleton, and Mr. Frederick P. Stanton be the managers at the said conference on the part of the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Sibley moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move, to take from the Speaker's table the bill of the Senate (No. 395) entitled "An act for the relief of Emilie Hooe;" which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Dawson moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move to take from the Speaker's table the bill of the Senate (No. 265) entitled "An act for the relief of the captors of the frigate Philadel-

phia;" which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Breckinridge moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to submit the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the President of the United States be requested to arrange by treaty the questions connected with the fisheries on the coast of British North America; the free navigation of the rivers St. Lawrence and St. John; the export duty on American lumber in the province of New Brunswick, and reciprocal trade with the British North American Colonies, on the principles of the report of the Committee on Commerce on this subject, at this session, and of liberal commercial intercourse.

And the question being put, it was decided in the negative—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Perkins moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move to take from the Speaker's table the bill of the Senate (No. 503) entitled "An act for the relief of the legal representatives of Daniel Loomis, deceased;" which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Schermerhorn having been recognised by the Chair,

Mr. Henn made the point of order that he was not entitled to the floor, not having risen from his seat at the time he addressed the Chair.

The Speaker (Mr. Stuart in the chair) overruled the point of order, on the ground that the rules confer authority upon the Speaker to name the member who is entitled to the floor.

From this decision of the Chair, Mr. Henn appealed;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Robert W. Johnson,

Ordered, That the said appeal be laid on the table.

Thereupon,

Mr. Schermerhorn moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move to take from the Speaker's table the bill of the Senate (No. 607) entitled "An act for the relief of Betsy Norton;" which motion was agreed to—two-thirds voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Schermerhorn accordingly submitted his aforesaid motion; and, the question being put, it was decided in the affirmative.

The bill was then taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Pending the question on its third reading,

Mr. Schermerhorn moved to amend the same by striking out, where they occur, the words "January 1, 1853," and inserting, in lieu thereof, the words "*February 9, 1837*;"

Pending which,

Mr. Stanly moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put.

Mr. Origen S. Seymour moved that the bill be laid on the table; which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurred on agreeing to the said amendment;

And being put,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 51
Nays..... 71

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. David J. Bailey
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibighaus
Obadiah Bowne
George Briggs
James Brooks
Albert G. Brown
George H. Brown
E. Carrington Cabell
Thompson Campbell
Joseph R. Chandler
Charles Chapman
James L. Conger
John F. Darby
George T. Davis
Gilbert Dean
David T. Disney

Mr. James Duane Doty
Presley Ewing
Francis B. Fay
John D. Freeman
Henry M. Fuller
John Z. Goodrich
John H. H. Haws
Bernhart Henn
Volney E. Howard
Thomas M. Howe
Thomas Y. How, jr.
George G. King
J. Aristide Landry
Edward P. Little
Frederick S. Martin
Moses McDonald
John McNair

Mr. John McQueen
Andrew Parker
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Rodman M. Price
John L. Robinson
Lorenzo Sabine
William A. Sackett
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
John L. Schoolcraft
Marius Schoonmaker
Edward Stanly
Charles E. Stuart
Henry S. Walbridge
Thomas Y. Walsh
William T. Ward
John Wells
Addison White.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Thomas H. Averett
Thomas H. Bayly
Richard I. Bowie
John C. Breckinridge
Joseph Cable
Lewis D. Campbell
David K. Cartter
John S. Caskie
William M. Churchwell
Sherrard Clemens
Chauncey F. Cleveland
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
William F. Colcock
Joseph S. Cottman
John G. Davis
John L. Dawson
Milo M. Dimmick
James H. Duncan
Cyrus L. Dunham
Ben. C. Eastman
Alfred P. Edgerton
Henry A. Edmundson
Orlando B. Ficklin

Mr. Thomas B. Florence
John G. Floyd
James M. Gaylord
Robert Goodenow
Willis A. Gorman
Galusha A. Grow
Alexander Harper
Isham G. Harris
Emanuel B. Hart
Solomon G. Haven
Thomas A. Hendricks
Harry Hibbard
Alexander Holladay
George S. Houston
Colin M. Ingersoll
Joseph W. Jackson
Daniel T. Jones
J. Glancy Jones
Preston King
John Letcher
James Lockhart
Daniel Mace
Joseph W. McCorkle
Fayette McMullen

Mr. Richard K. Meade
John S. Millson
James T. Morehead
William Murray
Benjamin D. Nabers
Edson B. Olds
James L. Orr
Charles H. Peaslee
Alexander G. Penn
Jared Perkins
William H. Polk
Paulus Powell
William A. Richardson
John Robbins, jr.
Reuben Robie
David L. Seymour
Alexander H. Stephens
Nathan T. Stratton
James F. Strother
Charles Sweetser
Norton S. Townshend
Abraham W. Venable
Isaac Wildrick.

So the said amendment was disagreed to.

The question then recurring on the third reading of the bill, it was ordered to be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Spraker: The Senate insist upon their amendments, disagreed to by the House, to the bill of the House (No. 333) "making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian department, and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with various Indian tribes, for the year ending June 30, 1854," and ask a conference with the House on the said disagreeing votes.

The Senate have appointed Mr. Pearce, Mr. Sebastian, and Mr. Bayard managers at the said conference on the part of the Senate.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Clingman,

Ordered, That the House insist upon their disagreement to the amendments, insisted upon by the Senate, to the bill of the House No. 333, (Indian appropriations,) and agree to the conference asked for by the Senate upon the said disagreeing votes.

Ordered, That Mr. Dunham, Mr. Briggs, and Mr. Preston King be the managers at the said conference on the part of the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Orr moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move to take from the Speaker's table the bill of the Senate (No. 399) entitled "An act to authorize the correction of erroneous locations of military bounty-land warrants by actual settlers on the public lands in certain cases;" which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Hall, from the second committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the House (No. 337) "making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of the government for the year ending June 30, 1853," reported that the said committee were unable to agree upon a report.

Mr. Edgerton moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to submit the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the Clerk of this House pay William Miner, clerk of the United States circuit court, district of Ohio, for certified copies of papers furnished to the House of Representatives, in relation to the claim of the heirs of John H. Piatt, deceased, viz: a copy of the record in the case of R. Piatt *vs.* B. M. Piatt, and N. Longworth, administrator of John H. Piatt; a copy of the master's report in the same case; and a copy of a record in a case between the same parties on bill of review, the sum of one hundred and sixty-two dollars and twenty-four cents, payable out of the contingent fund of the House.

And the question being put, it was decided in the negative—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Alexander H. Stephens moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move to take from the Speaker's table the bill of the Senate (No. 601) entitled "An act for the relief of Moses Olmstead and Mrs. Elizabeth Craig;" which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate request the return of the bill of this House (No. 367) "to authorize the issuing of a register to the brig Boundary, and to change the names of the steamers Roger Williams and propeller Ontario"—heretofore reported from the Senate with sundry amendments.

And then he withdrew.

Ordered, That the Clerk return the said bill to the Senate.

Mr. Polk moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move to take from the Speaker's table the bill of the Senate (No. 265) entitled "An act for the relief of the captors of the frigate Philadelphia;" which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Albert G. Brown moved that the rules be suspended, so as to

enable him to move to take from the Speaker's table the bill of the Senate (No. 138) entitled "An act for the relief of George Pointdexter;" which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Marshall moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move to take from the Speaker's table the bill of the Senate (No. 100) entitled "An act for the relief of Thomas Snodgrass;" which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickens, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed bills of this House of the following titles, severally without amendment, viz:

H. R. 302. An act for the relief of the Southern Michigan Railroad Company;

H. R. 279. An act for the relief of Mary Baury;

H. R. 363. An act for the relief of John Huffington;

H. R. 101. An act for the relief of John Kerbaugh;

H. R. 318. An act for the relief of Gilman Smith, of Sycamore, in the State of Illinois;

H. R. 317. An act for the relief of Nathan H. Darling;

H. R. 358. An act to amend an act entitled "An act for the relief of Joseph Johnston," approved May 4, 1852, by correcting a clerical error;

H. R. 98. An act for the relief of Cornelius Hughes, of Tennessee;

H. R. 249. An act for the relief of Harlow Spaulding; and

H. R. 250. An act for the relief S. Morris Waln.

The Senate have concurred in the resolution of this House, suspending the 16th joint rule, so far as relates to the bill of the House (No. 368) "for the relief of Robert Gibson."

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Fitch moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable the House to take up and consider the questions of difference between the two houses upon the bill of the House (No. 337) "making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of the government for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854."

And the question being put,

It was decided in the affirmative,	{ Yeas.....	98
	{ Nays	39

Two-thirds voting in favor thereof.

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. William Aiken
David J. Bailey
Thomas H. Bayly
Henry Bennett
Thomas S. Bocoock
Richard I. Bowie
John C. Breckinridge
George Briggs
James Brooks
George H. Brown
Thompson Campbell
David K. Carter
John S. Caskie
Joseph R. Chandler
Williamson R. W. Cobb

Mr. William F. Colcock
Joseph S. Cottman
John F. Darby
John L. Dawson
Gilbert Dean
David T. Disney
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Alfred P. Edgerton
Henry A. Edmundson
Alexander Evans
Presley Ewing
Francis B. Fay
Graham N. Fitch
Thomas B. Florence

Mr. John D. Freeman
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James M. Gaylord
Robert Goodenow
John Z. Goodrich
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Willard P. Hall
Isaham G. Harris
Sampeon W. Harris
Emanuel B. Hart
John H. H. Haws
Thomas A. Hendricks
Bernhart Henn
Harry Hibbard

Mr. Alexander R. Holladay	Mr. James X. McLanahan	Mr. Lorenzo Sabine
George S. Houston	Richard K. Meade	Ab'm M. Schermerhorn
Volney E. Howard	John S. Millson	David L. Seymour
Colin M. Ingersoll	John A. Morrison	Origen S. Seymour
Joseph W. Jackson	William Murray	Charles Skelton
Timothy Jenkins	Benjamin D. Nabers	William W. Snow
Robert W. Johnson	Edson B. Olds	Edward Stanly
Daniel T. Jones	James L. Orr	James W. Stone
J. Glancy Jones	Charles H. Peaselee	Nathan T. Stratton
George G. King	Alexander G. Penn	James F. Strother
Preston King	William H. Polk	Josiah Sutherland
J. Aristide Landry	William Preston	Charles Sweetser
Edward P. Little	Rodman M. Price	Benjamin B. Thurston
James Lockhart	William A. Richardson	Norton S. Townshend
Daniel Mace	George Read Riddle	Thomas Y. Walsh
Edward C. Marshall	John Robbins, jr.	William T. Ward
Joseph W. McCorkle	Reuben Robie	Addison White.
Moses McDonald	John L. Robinson	

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Thomas H. Averett	Mr. Milo M. Dimmick	Mr. James T. Morehead
Thomas M. Bibighaus	Cyrus L. Dunham	David Outlaw
Obadiah Bowne	Ben. C. Eastman	Andrew Parker
Lorenzo Burrows	Orlando B. Ficklin	Ebenezer J. Penniman
E. Carrington Cabell	John G. Floyd	John L. Schoolcraft
Joseph Cable	Galusha A. Grow	Marius Schoonmaker
Lewis D. Campbell	Thomas Y. How, jr.	Alexander H. Stephens
Charles Chapman	Andrew Johnson	Robert Toombs
Sherrard Clemens	John Johnson	Abraham W. Venable
Chauncey F. Cleveland	John Letcher	Henry S. Walbridge
Thomas L. Clingman	Frederick S. Martin	John Wells
James L. Conger	Fayette McMullen	Isaac Wildrick
John G. Davis	John McQueen	Joseph A. Woodward.

So the rules were suspended.

And thereupon,

Mr. Hall submitted the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the House adopt the recommendations contained in the report of the first committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the House (No. 337) "making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of the government for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854," and that the said bill be amended accordingly.

The same having been read,

Mr. Hall moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put; when

Mr. Toombs made the point of order that the said resolution was not in order, as it was the same proposition heretofore submitted in the form of a report from the committee of conference, and disagreed to by the House.

The Speaker overruled the point of order.

From this decision of the Chair, Mr. Toombs appealed;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Dean,

Ordered, That the said appeal be laid on the table.

The question was then put, Will the House agree to the said resolution?

And it was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas 77
Nays 62



The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present,
Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. William Aiken
William Appleton
Thomas H. Bayly
Richard I. Bowie
John C. Breckinridge
George Briggs
George H. Brown
Thompson Campbell
John S. Caskie
Joseph R. Chandler
William F. Colcock
Joseph S. Cottman
John E. Darby
John L. Dawson
David T. Disney
James H. Duncan
Alfred P. Edgerton
Henry A. Edmondson
Alexander Evans
Francis B. Fay
Graham N. Fitch
Thomas B. Florence
John D. Freeman
Thomas J. D. Fuller
James M. Gaylord
Robert Goodenow

Mr. John Z. Goodrich
Willis A. Gorman
Frederick W. Green
Willard P. Hall
Sampson W. Harris
Emanuel B. Hart
John H. H. Haws
Harry Hibbard
Alexander R. Holladay
George S. Houston
Volney E. Howard
Joseph W. Jackson
Robert W. Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
J. Glancy Jones
George G. King
J. Aristide Landry
Edward P. Little
James Lockhart
Daniel Mace
Edward C. Marshall
Moses McDonald
John McNair
Richard K. Meade
John S. Millson
Benjamin D. Nabers

Mr. James L. Orr
Charles H. Peaslee
Alexander G. Penn
John S. Phelps
William H. Polk
Rodman M. Price
George Read Riddle
John Robbins, jr.
Reuben Robie
John L. Robinson
Joseph Russell
Lorenzo Sabine
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
David L. Seymour
William W. Snow
Edward Stanly
Frederick P. Stanton
James W. Stone
James F. Strother
Charles E. Stuart
Josiah Sutherland
Charles Sweetser
Benjamin B. Thurstom
Thomas Y. Walsh
Addison White.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Thomas H. Averett
David J. Bailey
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibbhaus
Lorenzo Burrows
Lewis D. Campbell
David K. Cartter
Charles Chapman
William M. Churchwell
Sherrard Clemens
Chauncey F. Cleveland
Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
James L. Conger
John G. Davis
Gilbert Dean
Milo M. Dimmick
James Duane Doty
Cyrus L. Dunham
Ben. C. Eastman
Orlando B. Ficklin

Mr. John G. Floyd
Galusha A. Grow
Isham G. Harris
Solomon G. Haven
Thomas A. Hendricks
Bernhart Henn
Thomas M. Howe
Thomas Y. How, jr.
Colin M. Ingersoll
Timothy Jenkins
Andrew Johnson
John Johnson
Preston King
John Letcher
Frederick S. Martin
James K. McLanahan
Fayette McMullen
John McQueen
John Moore
James T. Morehead
John A. Morrison

Mr. William Murray
Edson B. Olds
David Outlaw
Andrew Parker
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Jared Perkins
William Preston
William A. Sackett
John L. Schoolcraft
Marius Schoonmaker
Charles Skelton
Alexander H. Stephens
Nathan T. Stratton
Robert Toombs
Norton S. Townshend
Abraham W. Venable
Henry S. Walbridge
John Wells
Isaac Wildrick
Joseph A. Woodward.

So the said resolution was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Hall moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Wildrick, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, bills of the following titles, viz:

S. 607. An act for the relief of Betsy Norton;

H. R. 362. An act making appropriations for light-houses, light-boats,

buoys, &c., and providing for the erection and establishment of the same, and for other purposes; when

The Speaker signed the same.

On motion of Mr. Albert G. Brown, the rules having been suspended for that purpose, the bill of the Senate (No. 138) entitled "An act for the relief of George Pointdexter," was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Brown, the rules requiring its commitment having been suspended,

Ordered, That the said bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Albert G. Brown moved that the vote by which the said bill was passed be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed bills and a joint resolution of this House of the following titles, severally without amendment, viz:

H. R. 275. An act for the relief of William J. Price;

H. R. 272. An act for the relief of John Ozias;

H. R. 178. An act for the relief of Henry Miller, a soldier of the war of 1812;

H. R. 303. An act for the relief of Cornelius Covert, of Michigan;

H. R. 367. An act to authorize the issuing of a register to the brig "Boundary," and to change the names of the steamers Roger Williams and propeller Ontario;

H. R. 100. An act for the relief of James Wright, jr.;

H. R. 181. An act to increase the pension of Henry Click, of Cocke county, Tennessee;

H. R. 279. An act for the relief of Mary Pearson;

H. R. 264. An act to appropriate lands for the support of schools in certain townships and fractional townships in the Territory of Minnesota, not before provided for;

H. R. 220. An act for the relief of James H. Jenkins; and

H. R. 26. Joint resolution for the relief of Thompson Barnett.

Mr. Meade moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to report, from the Committee on the Judiciary, a bill "making compensation to the widow and child of the Rev. Walter Colton, deceased; which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Ewing moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move to take from the Speaker's table the bill of the Senate (No. 544) entitled "An act for the relief of James Jeffries and Jeremiah M. Smith;" which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Wildrick, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, bills of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 249. An act for the relief of Harlow Spaulding;

H. R. 278. An act for the relief of Mary Baur;

H. R. 358. An act to amend an act entitled "An act for the relief of Joseph Johnston," approved May 4, 1852, by correcting a clerical error;

H. R. 318. An act for the relief of Gilman Smith, of Sycamore, in the State of Illinois;

H. R. 317. An act for the relief of Nathan H. Darling;

H. R. 349. An act making appropriations for the transportation of the United States mail, by ocean steamers and otherwise, during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1854;

H. R. 101. An act for the relief of John Kerbaugh;

H. R. 93. An act for the relief of Cornelius Hughes, of Tennessee; and

H. R. 302. An act for the relief of the Southern Michigan Railroad Company.

On motion of Mr. Duncan, the rules having been suspended for that purpose, the resolution of the Senate (No. 79) entitled "A joint resolution in amendment of a joint resolution relating to the duties of inspectors of steamers," approved January 7, 1853, was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Pending the question on its third reading,

On motion of Mr. Duncan,

Ordered, That the said resolution be amended as follows, viz :

In section 2, line 3, insert the words "*prior to July 1st next, and*"

In section 4, line 2, strike out the words "*manufacture or otherwise.*"

The question then recurring on the third reading of the resolution, it was ordered to be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the said amendments.

Mr. Phelps, from the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the House (No. 342) "making appropriations for the naval service for the year ending June 30, 1854," reported that the said committee were unable to agree upon a report.

On motion of Mr. Phelps, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That the House request a second conference with the Senate upon the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the said bill No. 342, (navy bill;) and that Mr. Stanly, Mr. J. G. Jones, and Mr. Andrew Johnson be the managers at the said conference on the part of the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed, without amendment, bills of the following titles, viz :

H. R. 274. An act for the relief of Jasper A. Maltby;

H. R. 263. An act to provide for additional clerks, and to extend the sessions of the legislature of the Territory of New Mexico;

H. R. 134. An act authorizing the governor of the Territory of New Mexico to call an extra session of the legislative assembly of said Territory, should the same be deemed necessary and expedient;

H. R. 155. An act for the relief of William H. Wells and others.

The Senate have adopted a resolution suspending the 16th and 17th joint rules, so far as relates to the bill of the Senate (No. 638) "to indemnify the State of Indiana for the failure of title to a township of land granted to said State on her admission into the Union in 1816."

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Gorman, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That the resolution of the Senate providing for a suspension of the 16th and 17th joint rules of the two houses, so far as relates to the bill of the Senate No. 638, be concurred in.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have passed a bill of the following title, viz :

S. 638. An act to indemnify the State of Indiana for the failure of title to a township of land granted to said State on her admission into the Union in 1816; in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Gorman, by unanimous consent, the said bill S. 638 was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the said bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Wildrick, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, a bill of the following title, viz :

S. 138. An act for the relief of George Pointdexter ; when

The Speaker signed the same.

On motion of Mr. Cobb, the rules having been suspended for that purpose,

Mr. Isham G. Harris, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom was referred the bill of the Senate (No. 231) "for the relief of Ursula E. Cobb," reported the same with an amendment.

And the question being put, Will the House agree to the said amendment?

It was decided in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the said bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the said amendment.

On motion of Mr. Alexander H. Stephens, the rules having been suspended for that purpose, the bill of the Senate (No. 601) entitled "An act for the relief of Moses Olmstead and Mrs. Elizabeth Craig" was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the said bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Thompson Campbell, the rules having been suspended for that purpose, the bill of the Senate (No. 463) entitled "An act for the relief of Mary Woodward" was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the said bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker : The Senate have adopted a resolution suspending the

16th joint rule, so far as relates to the bill of the Senate (No. 644) "to establish a new land office in the State of Florida;" in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

The Senate have passed, severally without amendment, bills of the House of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 53. An act for the relief of Gardner Herring;

H. R. 368. An act for the relief of Robert Gibson.

The Senate have receded from their 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 28th, 29th, and 42d amendments to the bill of the House (No. 342) "making appropriations for the naval service for the year ending June 30, 1854," have agreed to the amendment of the House to their 12th amendment to said bill, insist upon their amendments D and C, agree to the amendment of the House to their amendment, No. 38, insist upon their other amendments, disagreed to by the House, ask a conference upon the said disagreeing votes of the two houses, and have appointed Mr. Gwin, Mr. Soule, and Mr. Dawson managers of said conference on the part of the Senate.

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Dunham, from the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the House (No. 333) "making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian department, and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with various Indian tribes, for the year ending June 30, 1854," reported that the said committee were unable to agree upon a report.

Mr. Albert G. Brown, by unanimous consent, submitted the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House, in executing so much of the resolution passed this day as relates to John Lewis Hickman, shall only compute the number of days that said Hickman has been actually employed during the sittings of Congress;

Pending which,

Mr. Walsh moved to amend the same by adding thereto a provision for the increase of the compensation paid to Francis Reilly for his services as a laborer in the Clerk's office.

Mr. Orr made the point of order that the said amendment was not germane, and consequently not in order.

The Speaker (Mr. I. G. Harris in the chair) sustained the point of order, and decided the said amendment to be out of order.

From this decision of the Chair, Mr. Walsh appealed.

And the question being put, Shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the House?

It was decided in the affirmative.

So the decision of the Chair was sustained.

The question then recurring on the resolution of Mr. Brown,

Mr. Albert G. Brown moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Will the House agree thereto?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

So the said resolution was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Eastman, by unanimous consent, the resolution of

the Senate (No. 10) "for the relief of Alexander P. Field, late secretary of Wisconsin Territory, and his sureties," was reported from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment.

And the question being put, Will the House agree to the said amendment?

It was decided in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the said resolution be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Stanly, the rules having been suspended for that purpose, the resolution of the Senate (No. 52) "for the relief of the estate of Isaac L. Battle," was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the said resolution be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. George H. Brown, the rules having been suspended for that purpose, from the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, to whom was referred the bill of the Senate (No. 124) "granting a pension to Elizabeth Monroe," reported the same without amendment.

Ordered, That the said bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Meade moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move to take from the Speaker's table the bill of the Senate (No. 296) "for the relief of the legal representatives of Walter Colton."

And the question being put, no quorum voted.

Mr. Cartter moved a call of the House.

And the question being put,

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas. 62
Nays 50

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. William Appleton
Thomas H. Averett
Thomas H. Bayly
Richard I. Bowie
Obadiah Bowne
George Briggs
E. Carrington Cabell
Thompson Campbell
Joseph R. Chandler
Chauncey F. Cleveland
William F. Colcock
John R. J. Daniel
James Duane Doty
James H. Duncan
Alfred P. Edgerton
Alexander Evans
Francis B. Fay
Thomas B. Florence
John D. Freeman
Willis A. Gorman
Galusha A. Grow

Mr. Isham G. Harris
Emanuel B. Hart
Alexander R. Holladay
Thomas Y. How, jr.
John Johnson
Robert W. Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George G. King
Preston King
John Letcher
James Lockhart
Daniel Mace
Frederick S. Martin
Joseph W. McCorkle
James X. McLanahan
John McQueen
Richard K. Meade
John S. Millson
James T. Morehead
William Murray
Edson B. Olds

Mr. James L. Orr
David Outlaw
Andrew Parker
Alexander G. Penn
Jared Perkins
John S. Phelps
Rodman M. Price
John Robbins, jr.
Reubin Robie
Lorenzo Sabine
William A. Sackett
Frederick P. Stanton
Alexander H. Stephens
Nathan T. Stratton
Robert Toombs
Norton S. Townshend
Abraham W. Venable
Thomas Y. Walsh
Isaac Wildrick
Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. William Aiken
Henry Bennett
James Brooks
Albert G. Brown
George H. Brown
Lorenzo Burrows
David K. Cartter
John S. Caskie
Charles Chapman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
Joseph S. Cottman
John L. Dawson
Milo M. Dimmick
Cyrus L. Dunham
Charles Durkee
Ben. C. Eastman
Orlando B. Ficklin

Mr. Graham N. Fitch
John G. Floyd
James M. Gaylord
Robert Goodenow
Willard P. Hall
Sampson W. Harris
Thomas A. Hendricks
Bernhart Henn
Volney E. Howard
Thomas M. Howe
Willard Ives
Joseph W. Jackson
James Johnson
J. Aristide Landry
Edward P. Little
Fayette McMullen
John Moore

Mr. Charles Murphy
Benjamin D. Nabers
Eben Newton
Ebenezer J. Penniman
John L. Robinson
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
John L. Schoolcraft
Marius Schoonmaker
David L. Seymour
Origen S. Seymour
Charles Skelton
William W. Snow
Josiah Sutherland
Charles Sweetser
William T. Ward
Addison White.

So the House ordered a call.

The roll having been called, the following named members failed to answer to their names, viz:

James Abercrombie, Willis Allen, John Allison, John Appleton, William S. Ashe, Leander Babcock, David J. Bailey, Nelson Barrere, Thomas Bartlett, jr., James M. H. Beale, William H. Bissell, Obadiah Bowe, John H. Boyd, John Bragg, John C. Breckinridge, Samuel Brenton, Lorenzo Burrows, Armistead Burt, George H. Busby, Joseph Cable, Joseph P. Caldwell, Lewis D. Campbell, David K. Cartter, Elijah W. Chastain, William M. Churchwell, Lincoln Clark, Chauncey F. Cleveland, Thomas L. Clingman, Joseph S. Cottman, William Culom, John R. J. Daniel, George T. Davis, John G. Davis, John L. Dawson, Gilbert Dean, David T. Disney, Alfred Dockery, Presley Ewing, Charles J. Faulkner, Henry M. Fuller, Thomas J. D. Fuller, James Gamble, Meredith P. Gentry, Joshua R. Giddings, Alfred Gilmore, John Z. Goodrich, Frederick W. Green, William T. Hamilton, Edward Hammond, Alexander Harper, Sampson W. Harris, John H. Haws, Augustus P. Hascall, Solomon G. Haven, William Hebard, Harry Hibbard, Junius Hillyer, John W. Howe, William F. Hunter, Colin M. Ingersoll, Timothy Jenkins, James Johnson, Joseph H. Kuhns, William H. Kurtz, Horace Mann, Edward C. Marshall, John C. Mason, Joseph W. McCorkle, Moses McDonald, James Meacham, John G. Miller, Ahiman L. Miner, Richard S. Molony, Henry D. Moore, Samuel W. Parker, William H. Polk, Gilchrist Porter, Paulus Powell, William Preston, Isaac Reed, Thomas Ross, Joseph Russell, John H. Savage, Zeno Scudder, Richardson Scurry, Ephraim K. Smart, William R. Smith, Benjamin Stanton, Richard H. Stanton, Abr'm P. Stephens, Thaddeus Stevens, James W. Stone, Lewis St. Martin, James F. Strother, Charles E. Stuart, John L. Taylor, Norton S. Townshend, Amos Tuck, Henry S. Walbridge, Daniel Wallace, William T. Ward, Israel Washburn, jr., Albert G. Watkins, John Welch, John Wells, Alexander White, John A. Wilcox, Christopher H. Williams, Richard Yates.

The doors were then closed, and excuses were offered and received for the non-attendance of Messrs. Willis Allen, Ashe, David J. Bailey, Abercrombie, Bissell, Brenton, Burt, John G. Davis, Hamilton, Hammond, Harper, John W. Howe, and Hunter.

Mr. Henn moved that all further proceedings in the call be dispensed with; which motion was disagreed to.

Excuses were further offered and received for the non-attendance of Messrs. Miner, Henry D. Moore, and Smart.

And then,

On motion of Mr. Frederick P. Stanton,

All further proceedings in the call were dispensed with.

The question then recurred on the motion of Mr. Meade to suspend the rules.

And being put, it was decided in the affirmative—two-thirds voting in favor thereof.

The question was then put on the motion of Mr. Meade to take up the said bill of the Senate, No. 296, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The bill was accordingly taken up, and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the said bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have agreed to the amendments of this House to the bill and joint resolutions of the Senate of the following titles, viz:

S. 231. An act for the relief of Ursula E. Cobb;

S. 79. A resolution in amendment of a joint resolution relating to the duties of inspectors of steamers, approved January 7, 1853;

S. 10. A resolution for the relief of Alexander P. Field, late secretary of Wisconsin Territory, and sureties.

The Senate have receded from their amendments numbered 5, 8, and 10, disagreed to by the House, and insist upon their amendments numbered 6 and 9, disagreed to by the House, to the bill of the House (No. 333) "making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian department, and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with various Indian tribes, for the year ending June 30, 1854."

Mr. Wildrick, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, bills and a joint resolution of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 250. An act for the relief of S. Morris Waln;

H. R. 320. An act for the relief of James H. Jenkins;

H. R. 279. An act for the relief of Mary Pearson;

H. R. 275. An act for the relief of William J. Price;

H. R. 272. An act for the relief of John Ozias;

H. R. 303. An act for the relief of Cornelius Covert, of Michigan;

H. R. 264. An act to appropriate lands for the support of schools in certain townships and fractional townships in the Territory of Minnesota, not before provided for;

H. R. 181. An act for the relief of Henry Click, of Cocke county, Tennessee;

H. R. 178. An act for the relief of Henry Miller, a soldier of the war of 1812;

H. R. 100. An act for the relief of James Wright, jr.;

H. Res. 26. Joint resolution for the relief of Thompson Barnett;

H. R. 155. An act for the relief of William H. Wells and others;

H. R. 274. An act for the relief of Jasper A. Maltby;

H. R. 368. An act for the relief of Robert Gibson;

H. R. 53. An act for the relief of Gardner Herring;

H. R. 134. An act authorizing the governor of the Territory of New Mexico to call an extra session of the legislative assembly of said Territory, should the same be deemed necessary and expedient;

H. R. 363. An act for the relief of John Huffington; and

H. R. 263. An act to provide for additional clerks, and extend the sessions of the legislature of the Territory of New Mexico; when The Speaker signed the same.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickinson, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have agreed to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the House (No. 342) "making appropriations for the naval service for the year ending June 30, 1854.

The Senate have adopted a resolution suspending the 16th joint rule, so far as relates to the bill of the Senate (No. 306) entitled "An act for the relief of the West Feliciana Railroad Company;" in which I am directed to ask the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

By unanimous consent, the House proceeded to the consideration of the message from the Senate, insisting upon their 6th and 9th amendments to the bill of the House (No. 333) "making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian department, and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with various Indian tribes, for the year ending June 30, 1854."

On motion of Mr. Dunham,

Ordered, That the House recede from its disagreement to the said 6th amendment of the Senate, and agree thereto with the following amendment, viz:

After the word "dollars," in line 5, page 77, of the original bill, insert the following:

"Of which the sum of fifteen thousand dollars may be used, in such manner as the Secretary of the Interior may deem necessary, for subsistence and preserving peace with said Indians."

On motion of Mr. Robert W. Johnson,

Ordered, That the House recede from its disagreement to the said 9th amendment of the Senate, and agree thereto with the following amendments, viz:

In line 1, after the word "States," insert the following:

"If, upon examination, he shall approve the plan hereinafter provided for the protection of the Indians;"

And, in line 13, after the word "protection," insert the following:

"Provided, further, if the foregoing plan shall be adopted by the President, the three Indian agencies in California shall be thereupon abolished."

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in the amendments of the House to their said 6th and 9th amendments.

Mr. Wildrick, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, bills and joint resolutions of the following titles, viz:

S. 601. An act for the relief of Moses Olmstead and Mrs. Elizabeth Craig;

S. 231. An act for the relief of Ursula E. Cobb;

S. 463. An act for the relief of Mary Woodward;

S. 124. An act granting a pension to Elizabeth Monroe;

S. 52. A joint resolution for the relief of the estate of Isaac L. Battle;

S. 79. A joint resolution in amendment of a joint resolution relating to the duties of inspectors of steamers, approved the 7th day of January, 1853; when

The Speaker signed the same.

Mr. Stanly, from the second committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the House (No. 342) "making appropriations for the naval service for the year ending June 30, 1854," submitted the following report, viz:

The committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the House (No. 342) "making appropriations for the naval service for the year ending the 30th of June, 1854," have met, and, after full and free conference, have agreed to recommend, and do recommend, to the respective houses as follows:

That the Senate do recede from its 2d, 22d, 23d, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 36th, 37th, and 40th amendments.

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendments of the Senate A, B, C, D, and E, and 1, 2, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 39, and 41.

The same having been read,

The question was put, Will the House agree thereto?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have passed, without amendment, the bill of the House (No. 170) "for the relief of Jacob Shade, jr."

The Senate have agreed to the amendments of this House to their 6th and 9th amendments to the bill of the House (No. 333) "making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian department, and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with various Indian tribes, for the year ending June 30, 1854."

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Bowie, by unanimous consent, submitted the following resolution; which was read, considered, and agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That the thanks of this House are due, and are hereby presented, to the honorable Linn Boyd, for the able, impartial, and dignified manner in which he has discharged the duties of Speaker during the present Congress.

On motion of Mr. David L. Seymour, the rules having been suspended for that purpose, the bill of the Senate (No. 226) "for the relief of Lewis H. Bates and William Lacon" was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the said bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Edgerton, by unanimous consent, submitted the following resolution; which was read, considered, and agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That the Clerk of this House pay to William Miner, clerk of the circuit court of the United States for the district of Ohio, the cost of certified copies of the records furnished by the order of the House in the case of the legal representatives of John H. Piatt, whose claim is now pending before this House.

Mr. Wildrick, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, a bill and joint resolution of the following titles, viz:

S. 638. An act to indemnify the State of Indiana for the failure of title to a township of land granted to said State on her admission into the Union in 1816;

S. 10. A resolution for the relief of Alexander P. Field, late secretary of Wisconsin Territory, and sureties; when

The Speaker signed the same.

Mr. Cabell moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move to take from the Speaker's table the bill of the Senate (No. 75) entitled "An act to revive and continue in force for a limited time the provisions of an act relative to suspended entries of public land;"

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Orr, by unanimous consent,

The House took a recess until 10 o'clock a. m.

The hour of 10 o'clock a. m. having arrived, the House resumed its session;

And the question being put on the motion submitted by Mr. Cabell, and pending when the House took a recess, it was decided in the affirmative—two-thirds voting in favor thereof.

And thereupon,

On motion of Mr. Cabell, the said bill of the Senate (No. 75) was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That it be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Albert G. Brown, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That leave be granted for the withdrawal, from the files of the House, of the petitions of citizens of Mississippi, relative to the removal of the land office from Augusta.

On motion of Mr. Orr, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That leave be granted for the withdrawal, from the files of the House, of the papers in the case of Elizabeth Branch.

On motion of Mr. Chandler, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That leave be granted for the withdrawal, from the files of the House, of the papers in the case of Richard W. Meade.

On motion of Mr. Kuhns, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That leave be granted for the withdrawal, from the files of the House, of the papers in the case of Margaret Allen.

Mr. Andrew Johnson moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to submit the following resolutions, viz:

Resolved, That rotation in office, in the opinion of this House, is one of the cardinal tenets of a republican form of government, and ought never to be violated under any pretence whatever, and should be practised upon by all administrations, regardless of their party names.

Resolved, That eight years, in the opinion of this House, is the longest term any individual ought to be permitted to remain in office whose appointment is conferred upon the President of the United States and the heads of departments, either by the constitution or by the law.

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this House, the appointment of persons to office should be made upon the basis of representation from the several States in the Congress of the United States—that is to say, the whole number of persons appointed to office should be divided by the whole number of representatives, giving to each congressional district in the Union its fair ratio of offices under the federal government.

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this House, any congressional district in the Union is more than competent to furnish its full quota of officers, upon the principle as laid down in the foregoing resolutions, who would be honest, capable, and faithful to the constitution of the United States.

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this House, immediately after all the offices shall be filled, upon the principle as laid down in these resolutions, the President and heads of departments should divide the whole number of congressional districts into four equal divisions, or as nearly so as may be practicable, classifying them one, two, three, and four. The offices belonging to the first district falling into the first class shall be vacated at the expiration of eight years; those falling into the second class shall be vacated at the expiration of six years; those falling into the third class shall be vacated at the expiration of four years; those falling into the fourth class shall be vacated at the expiration of two years; so that one-fourth of the whole number of officers thus appointed would be retiring from office every two years, and a new set coming in to fill the vacancies thus occasioned.

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this House, in the selection of individuals to fill the offices under the federal government, due regard should be had to the farmers and mechanics of the country, so as to give them their proportion of said offices.

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this House, the people, the principles of the constitution, the spirit of the times, and justice, all demand at the hands of the President and heads of department, so soon as may be practicable, to carry into full and fair effect the principles and doctrines laid down in the foregoing resolutions.

And the question being put,

It was decided in the negative—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

On motion of Mr. Henn, by unanimous consent, the bill of the Senate (No. 399) "to authorize the correction of erroneous locations of military bounty-land warrants by actual settlers on the public lands in certain cases" was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the said bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.●

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Houston, by unanimous consent, the bill of the Senate (No. 123) "authorizing the sale of certain reserved lands in Alabama" was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the said bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Robert W. Johnson, by unanimous consent, the resolution of the Senate (No. 19) "for the relief of the heirs of Joseph Corderey" was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the said resolution be read a third time.

It was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. Landry, by unanimous consent, the bill of the Senate (No. 286) "for the relief of Maria Taylor" was taken from the Speaker's table, and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the said bill be read a third time.

It was accordingly read a third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

Mr. Charles Allen moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move to take up the bill of the Senate (No. 301) entitled "An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to issue duplicate land warrants in certain cases;" which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Sibley moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move to take up the bill of the Senate (No. 395) entitled "An act for the relief of Emilie Hooe;" which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Daniel, by unanimous consent, submitted the following resolution; which was read, considered, and agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That the President be requested to cause to be transmitted to this House a copy of the report made by the First Comptroller to the Secretary of the Treasury in the case of Charles F. Sibbald in July, 1851, and that the Clerk of this House, when the same shall have been received, cause it to be printed with the executive documents of the present session of Congress.

Mr. Caskie moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable the Committee of Claims to report to the House the bill of the Senate (No. 162) entitled "An act for the relief of William A. Christian;" which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Reed moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to submit the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives be directed to pay, out of the contingent fund of the House, to the widow of Charles Andrews, late a member of this House, a sum equal to the amount paid for funeral expenses of members who have died during the present Congress.

And the question being put, it was decided in the negative—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Penn moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move to take up the bill of the Senate (No. 351) entitled "An act for the relief of J. Boyd, of Louisiana;" which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Thomas J. D. Fuller moved that the rules be suspended, so as

to enable him to move to take up the bill of the Senate (No. 119) entitled "An act for the compensation of James W. Low and others for the capture of the British private armed schooner *Ann* during the late war with Great Britain; which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. McLanahan moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move to take up the bill of the Senate (No. 359) entitled "An act for the relief of Mary E. D. Blaney, widow of the late Major George Blaney;" which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Wildrick, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, a bill of the following title, viz:

H. R. 333. An act making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian department, and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with various Indian tribes, for the year ending June 30, 1854; when

The Speaker signed the same.

Mr. Hart moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move to take up the bill of the Senate (No. 479) entitled "An act for the relief of Edwin Lord and Francis Bacon;" which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Molony moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to introduce a bill relative to the military reserve at Chicago; which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Faulkner moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to report, from the Committee on Military Affairs, a bill for the relief of Lewis B. Willis, late a paymaster in the army of the United States; which motion was disagreed to—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Daniel moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move to take up the bill of the Senate (No. 162) entitled "An act for the relief of William A. Christian."

And the question being put,

It was decided in the negative, { Yeas..... 77
Nays..... 73

Two thirds not voting in favor thereof.

The yeas and nays being desired by one-fifth of the members present, Those who voted in the affirmative are—

Mr. James M. H. Beale
Henry Bennett
Thomas M. Bibbighans
Thomas S. Bocoock
John Bragg
John C. Breckinridge
Albert G. Brown
George H. Brown
George H. Busby
Thompson Campbell
David K. Cartter
John S. Caskie
Elijah W. Chastain
Lincoln Clark
Sherrard Clemens

Mr. Thomas L. Clingman
Williamson R. W. Cobb
Carlton B. Curtis
John R. J. Daniel
John F. Darby
John L. Dawson
Milo M. Dimmick
James Duane Doty
Henry A. Edmundson
Alexander Evans
Thomas B. Florence
Henry M. Fuller
James Gamble
James M. Gaylord
Willis A. Gorman

Mr. Ben. Edwards Grey
Galusha A. Grow
Edward Hammond
Sampson W. Harris
Emanuel B. Hart
Thomas A. Hendricks
Alexander R. Holladay
Colin M. Ingersoll
Willard Ives
Joseph W. Jackson
Robert W. Johnson
J. Glancy Jones
Joseph H. Kuhns
J. Aristide Landry
John Letcher

Mr. James Lockhart
Joseph W. McCorkle
Fayette McMullen
John McNair
John McQueen
Richard K. Meade
John S. Millson
John Moore
James T. Morehead
John A. Morrison
Edson B. Olds

Mr. David Outlaw
Andrew Parker
Alexander G. Penn
William H. Polk
Paulus Powell
William Preston
George Read Riddle
John Robbins, jr.
Thomas Ross
Abr'm M. Schermerhorn
Origen S. Seymour

Mr. William R. Smith
William W. Snow
Frederick P. Stanton
Abr'm P. Stephens
Louis St. Martin
Nathan T. Stratton
James F. Strother
Thomas Y. Walsh
John A. Wilcox
Joseph A. Woodward.

Those who voted in the negative are—

Mr. Charles Allen
Willis Allen
Nelson Barrere
Hiram Bell
Richard I. Bowie
Samuel Brenton
Lorenzo Burrows
Joseph Cable
Lewis D. Campbell
Joseph R. Chandler
Charles Chapman
George T. Davis
John G. Davis
Gilbert Dean
James H. Duncan
Cyrus L. Dunham
Charles Durkee
Ben. C. Eastman
Charles J. Faulkner
Francis B. Fay
Orlando B. Ficklin
Graham N. Fitch
Thomas J. D. Fuller
Alfred Gilmore
Robert Goodenow

Mr. Isham G. Harris
John H. H. Haws
Solomon G. Haven
William Hebard
Harry Hibbard
Jerediah Horaford
George S. Houston
Thomas M. Howe
Thomas Y. How, jr.
William F. Hunter
Andrew Johnson
John Johnson
Daniel T. Jones
George W. Jones
George G. King
Preston King
William H. Kurtz
Edward P. Little
John C. Mason
Moses McDonald
Richard S. Molony
Henry D. Moore
William Murray
Benjamin D. Nabers

Mr. James L. Orr
Samuel W. Parker
Charles H. Peaselee
Ebenezer J. Penniman
Jared Perkins
Isaac Reed
Reuben Robie
John L. Robinson
Joseph Russell
William A. Sackett
John H. Savage
John L. Schoolcraft
Marius Schoonmaker
Charles Skelton
Edward Stanly
Alexander H. Stephens
Thaddeus Stevens
John L. Taylor
Robert Toombs
Norton S. Townshend
Henry S. Walbridge
William T. Ward
Israel Washburn, jr.
John Wells.

So the House refused to suspend the rules.

Mr. Robie, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, bills and joint resolutions of the following titles, viz:

S. 296. An act for the relief of the legal representatives of Walter Colton;

S. 51. Joint resolution for the relief of the heir of John De Neufville and son;

S. 399. An act to authorize the correction of erroneous locations of military bounty-land warrants by actual settlers on the public lands in certain cases;

S. 123. An act authorizing the sale of certain reserved lands in Alabama;

S. 75. An act to revive and continue in force for a limited time the provisions of an act relative to suspended entries of public land;

S. 19. A resolution for the relief of the heirs of David Corderey;

S. 226. An act for the relief of Lewis H. Bates and William Lacon;

S. 286. An act for the relief of Maria Taylor; when
The Speaker signed the same.

Mr. Henn, from the same committee, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, bills of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 342. An act making appropriations for the naval service for the year ending June 30, 1854;

H. R. 170. An act for the relief of Jacob Shade, jr.;

H. R. 367. An act to authorize the issuing of a register to the brig Boundary, and to change the names of the steamers Roger Williams and propeller Ontario; when

The Speaker signed the same.

Mr. Stanly, by unanimous consent, submitted the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That there be paid, out of the contingent fund of the House, to the acting clerk of the Committee of Ways and Means, the usual compensation allowed at the close of the first session of the Thirty-second Congress, by the resolution of said House of August 30, 1850.

The same having been read.

Mr. Stanly moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, viz: Will the House agree thereto?

And it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Stanly moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered; and also moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; which latter motion was agreed to.

Mr. Gorman, from the Committee on Printing, reported the following resolution; which was read, considered, and agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That ten thousand extra copies of Stansbury's report of the survey of the Salt Lake, submitted to the Senate, be printed for the use of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Henn, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee did, on this day, present to the President of the United States bills and resolutions of the following titles, viz:

S. 51. Joint resolution for the relief of the heir of John De Neufville and son;

S. 226. An act for the relief of Lewis H. Bates and William Lacon;

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H. R. 275. An act for the relief of William J. Price;

H. R. 170. An act for the relief of Jacob Shade, jr.;

S. 124. An act granting a pension to Elizabeth Monroe;

• S. 463. An act for the relief of Mary Woodward;

S. 52. A joint resolution for the relief of the estate of Isaac L. Battle;

S. 79. A joint resolution in amendment of a joint resolution relating to the duties of inspectors of steamers, approved January 7, 1853;

- S. 231. An act for the relief of Ursula E. Cobb;
- S. 601. An act for the relief of Moses Olmstead and Mrs. Elizabeth Craig;
- S. 612. An act to incorporate the Georgetown and Catoctin Railroad Company;
- S. 547. An act authorizing the adjustment and payment of the claims of William Hazzard Wigg, deceased, for losses sustained by him during the war of the revolution;
- S. 7. An act to provide for the survey of the public lands in California, the granting of pre-emption rights therein, and for other purposes;
- S. 573. An act for the relief of John Charles Frémont, late lieutenant colonel in the army of the United States;
- S. 586. An act to extend pre-emption rights to certain lands therein mentioned;
- S. 44. A joint resolution for the relief of the Spanish consul, and other subjects of Spain, residing at New Orleans, and of subjects of Spain residing at Key West, by indemnity for losses occasioned in the year 1851;
- S. 236. An act to incorporate the Sisters of the Visitation of Washington, in the District of Columbia;
- S. 622. An act authorizing changes in the location of land offices;
- S. 274. An act for the relief of L. M. Goldsborough and others;
- S. 512. An act for the relief of Catharine Proctor Hayden, only child and heir of John White, deceased, late a lieutenant colonel in the 4th Georgia battalion of the revolutionary army;
- S. 138. An act for the relief of George Pointdexter;
- S. 286. An act for the relief of Maria Taylor;
- S. 607. An act for the relief of Betsy Norton;
- H. R. 302. An act for the relief of the Southern Michigan Railroad Company;
- H. R. 303. An act for the relief of Cornelius Covert, of Michigan;
- H. R. 368. An act for the relief of Robert Gibson;
- H. R. 53. An act for the relief of Gardner Herring;
- H. R. 274. An act for the relief of Jasper A. Maltby;
- H. R. 155. An act for the relief of William H. Wells and others;
- H. R. 26. Joint resolution for the relief of Thompson Barnett;
- H. R. 181. An act to increase the pension of Henry Click, of Cocke county, Tennessee;
- H. R. 178. An act for the relief of Henry Miller, a soldier of the war of 1812;
- H. R. 363. An act for the relief of John Huffington;
- H. R. 263. An act to provide for additional clerks, and extend the sessions of the legislature of the Territory of New Mexico;
- H. R. 278. An act for the relief of Mary Baur;
- H. R. 134. An act authorizing the governor of the Territory of New Mexico to call an extra session of the legislative assembly of said Territory, should the same be deemed necessary and expedient;
- H. R. 100. An act for the relief of James Wright, jr.;
- H. R. 264. An act to appropriate lands for the support of schools in certain townships and fractional townships in the Territory of Minnesota, not before provided for;

H. R. 349. An act making appropriations for the transportation of the United States mail, by ocean steamers and otherwise, during the fiscal year ending the 30th of June, 1854;

H. R. 249. An act for the relief of Harlow Spaulding;

H. R. 317. An act for the relief of Nathan H. Darling;

H. R. 358. An act to amend an act entitled "An act for the relief of Joseph Johnston," approved May 4, 1852, by correcting a clerical error;

H. R. 250. An act for the relief of S. Morris Waln;

H. R. 320. An act for the relief of James H. Jenkins;

H. R. 279. An act for the relief of Mary Pearson;

H. R. 318. An act for the relief of Gilman Smith, of Sycamore, in the State of Illinois;

H. R. 367. An act to authorize the issuing of a register to the brig Boundary, and to change the names of the steamers Roger Williams and propeller Ontario;

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H. R. 101. An act for the relief of John Kerbaugh;

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H. R. 362. An act making appropriations for light-houses, light-boats, buoys, &c., and providing for the erection and establishing of the same, and for other purposes;

H. R. 272. An act for the relief of John Ozias;

A message was received from the President of the United States, by Millard P. Fillmore, his private secretary, notifying the House that he did, on this day, approve and sign bills of the following titles, viz:

H. R. 274. An act for the relief of Jasper A. Maltby;

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H. R. 178. An act for the relief of Henry Miller, a soldier of the war of 1812;

H. R. 26. Joint resolution for the relief of Thompson Barnett;

H. R. 155. An act for the relief of William H. Wells and others;

H. R. 368. An act for the relief of Robert Gibson;

H. R. 302. An act for the relief of the Southern Michigan Railroad Company;

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H. R. 367. An act to authorize the issuing of a register to the brig Boundary, and to change the names of the steamers Roger Williams and propeller Ontario;

H. R. 170. An act for the relief of Jacob Shade, jr.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Dickins, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The President of the United States has notified the Senate that he did, on this day, approve and sign bills and joint resolutions of the following titles, viz:

S. 123. An act authorizing the sale of certain reserved lands in Alabama;

S. 399. An act to authorize the correction of erroneous locations of military bounty land-warrants by actual settlers on the public lands in certain cases;

S. 296. An act for the relief of the legal representatives of Walter Colton;

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S. 236. An act to incorporate the Sisters of the Visitation of Washington, in the District of Columbia;

S. 622. An act authorizing changes in the location of land offices;

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S. 512. An act for the relief of Catharine Proctor Hayden, only child and heir of John White, deceased, late a lieutenant colonel in the 4th Georgia battalion of the revolutionary army;

S. 51. A resolution for the relief of the heir of John De Neufville and son;

S. 44. A resolution for the relief of the Spanish consul, and other subjects of Spain, residing at New Orleans, and of subjects of Spain residing at Key West, by indemnity for losses occasioned in the year 1851;

S. 124. An act granting a pension to Elizabeth Monroe;

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S. 601. An act for the relief of Moses Olmstead and Mrs. Elizabeth Craig;

S. 138. An act for the relief of George Pointdexter;

S. 52. A resolution for the relief of the estate of Isaac L. Battle;

S. 79. A resolution in amendment of a joint resolution relating to the duties of inspectors of steamers, approved the 7th day of January, 1853;

S. 7. An act to provide for the survey of the public lands in California, the granting of pre-emption privileges therein, and for other purposes;

S. 547. An act authorizing the adjustment and payment of the claims of William Hazzard Wigg, deceased, for losses sustained by him during the war of the revolution;

S. 612. An act to incorporate the Georgetown and Catoctin Railroad Company;

S. 586. An act to extend pre-emption rights to certain lands therein mentioned;

S. 573. An act for the relief of John Charles Frémont, late lieutenant colonel in the army of the United States.

And that he did, on the 2d instant, approve and sign bills and joint resolutions of the following titles, viz :

S. 59. An act to provide compensation to such persons as may be designated by the Secretary of the Treasury to receive and keep the public money under the 15th section of the act of 6th August, 1846, for the additional services required under that act;

S. 227. An act for the relief of Frances E. Baden;

S. 642. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to issue a register to the bark "May," of Baltimore;

S. 429. An act for the relief of Benjamin S. Roberts;

S. 23. A resolution for straightening the eastern boundary line of the naval hospital lands at New York;

S. 639. An act providing for administering the oath of office to William R. King, Vice President elect of the United States of America.

And then he withdrew.

Mr. Henn, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined, and found truly enrolled, a bill of the following title, viz :

H. R. 337. An act making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of the government for the year ending June 30, 1854; when The Speaker signed the same.

Mr. George W. Jones, by unanimous consent, submitted the following resolution; which was read, considered, and agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed on the part of this House, to be joined by such a committee as may be appointed by the Senate, to wait on the President of the United States, to notify him that, unless he may have further communications to make, the two houses of Congress, having completed the business before them, are ready to close the present session by an adjournment.

Ordered, That Mr. George W. Jones, Mr. Haven, and Mr. Robert W. Johnson be appointed the said committee on the part of the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk acquaint the Senate therewith.

On motion of Mr. George W. Jones, by unanimous consent, the Speaker laid before the House the following executive communications, viz:

I. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a report on the condition of the banks throughout the Union.

II. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting statements showing the clerks and other persons employed in his department during the year 1852.

Ordered, That the said letters and accompanying documents be laid on the table, and printed.

A message was received from the President of the United States, by Millard P. Fillmore, his private secretary, notifying the House that he did, on this day, approve and sign a bill of the following title, viz:

H. R. 337. An act making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of the government for the year ending June 30, 1854.

Mr. Hunter moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to submit the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That five thousand extra copies of the report made on the subject of reciprocal trade with the British North American Colonies be printed for the use of this House.

And the question being put, it was decided in the negative—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Lewis D. Campbell moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to submit the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the Hon. Howell Cobb, of Georgia, the Hon. Samuel F. Vinton, of Ohio, and the Hon. John W. Davis, of Indiana, are hereby appointed commissioners to prepare a code of rules for the government of this House, with a view to obviate the numerous and complicated difficulties that so often occur under the existing code, and to facilitate future legislation; that they be requested to make their report to the Clerk of the House, who, on receipt thereof, shall cause it to be printed, and a copy forwarded to each member of the Thirty-third Congress.

And the question being put, it was decided in the negative—two-thirds not voting in favor thereof.

Mr. George W. Jones, from the joint committee appointed to wait on the President of the United States, reported that the said committee had discharged the duties for which they were appointed, and had re-

ceived for answer from the President that he had no further communication to make to the present Congress.

A motion was then made by Mr. George W. Jones, at 12 o'clock m., that the House do now adjourn *sine die*.

And the question being put, it was decided in the affirmative.

Whereupon,

Mr. Speaker Boyd addressed the House as follows:

GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES: I may be allowed this occasion to say that, in undertaking to discharge the duties of the Chair, I relied for success rather upon your forbearance and kindly aid than upon any poor abilities of my own. That reliance, I am happy to say, has not failed me. On the contrary, the untiring efforts I feel I have made to perform the task in a becoming manner, have been met and sustained with a degree of liberality seldom equalled in any deliberative body. A striking illustration of this is seen in the fact, that notwithstanding the multiplied questions of parliamentary law and usage which have arisen, and in despite of errors into which I may have fallen, each and all the decisions of the Chair, with a single exception, (and that upon a question of minor importance,) have been generously sustained by this body. And as a further mark of respect and kindness, you have been pleased to adopt a resolution approving of my general conduct as the Presiding Officer of this body. In all this, I feel that I have been peculiarly fortunate; and for it all I beg you will accept my most sincere thanks.

Allow me to congratulate you, gentlemen, upon the harmony and personal kindness which have so generally prevailed throughout this Hall. It must remain a source of unmixed pleasure to us all, that our conflicts of opinion here, however fierce they may occasionally have been, were not allowed materially to disturb our social relations; and that now, having finished our work, we part in peace.

This House stands adjourned *sine die*.

APPENDIX.

STANDING RULES AND ORDERS

FOR CONDUCTING BUSINESS IN

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES.

TOUCHING THE DUTY OF THE SPEAKER.

1. He shall take the chair every day precisely at the hour to which the House shall have adjourned on the preceding day; shall immediately call the members to order; and, on the appearance of a quorum, shall cause the journal of the preceding day to be read.—*April 7, 1789.*

2. He shall preserve order and decorum; may speak to points of order in preference to other members, rising from his seat for that purpose; and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the House by any two members—*April 7, 1789*; on which appeal no member shall speak more than once, unless by leave of the House.—*December 23, 1811.*

3. He shall rise to put a question, but may state it sitting.—*April 7, 1789.*

4. Questions shall be distinctly put in this form, to wit: "As many as are of opinion that (as the question may be) say *Ay*;" and after the affirmative voice is expressed, "As many as are of the contrary opinion, say *No*." If the Speaker doubt, or a division be called for, the House shall divide: those in the affirmative of the question shall first rise from their seats, and afterwards those in the negative. If the Speaker still doubt, or a count be required, the Speaker shall name two members, one from each side, to tell the members in the affirmative and negative; which being reported, he shall rise and state the decision to the House.—*April 7, 1789.* No division and count of the House by tellers shall be in order, but upon motion seconded by at least one-fifth of a quorum of the members.—*September 15, 1837.*

5. When any motion or proposition is made, the question, "Will the House now consider it?" shall not be put unless it is demanded by some member, or is deemed necessary by the Speaker.—*December 12, 1817.*

6. The Speaker shall examine and correct the journal before it is read. He shall have a general direction of the Hall. He shall have a right to name any member to perform the duties of the Chair, but such substitution shall not extend beyond an adjournment.—*December 23, 1811.*

7. All committees shall be appointed by the Speaker, unless otherwise specially directed by the House, in which case they shall be appointed by ballot; and if, upon such ballot, the number required shall not be elected by a majority of the votes given, the House shall proceed to a second ballot, in which a plurality of votes shall prevail; and in case a greater number than is required to compose or complete a committee shall have an equal number of votes, the House shall proceed to a further ballot or ballots.—*January 13, 1790.*

8. The first named member of any committee shall be the chairman; and in his absence, or being excused by the House, the next named member, and so on, as often as the case shall happen, unless the committee, by a majority of their number, elect a chairman.—*December 28, 1805.*

9. Any member may excuse himself from serving on any committee at the time of his appointment, if he is then a member of two other committees.—*April 13, 1789.*

10. It shall be the duty of a committee to meet on the call of any two of its members, if the chairman be absent, or decline to appoint such meeting.—*December 20, 1805.*

11. In all other cases of ballot than for committees, a majority of the votes given shall be necessary to an election; and where there shall not be such a majority on the first ballot, the ballots shall be repeated until a majority be obtained.—*April 7, 1789.* And in all balloting blanks shall be rejected, and not taken into the count in enumeration of votes, or reported by the tellers.—*September 15, 1837.*

12. In all cases of ballot by the House, the Speaker shall vote; in other cases he shall not be required to vote, unless the House be equally divided, or unless his vote, if given to the minority, will make the division equal; and in case of such equal division, the question shall be lost.—*April 7, 1789.*

13. In all cases where other than members of the House may be eligible to an office by the election of the House, there shall be a previous nomination.—*April 7, 1789.*

14. In all cases of election by the House of its officers, the vote shall be taken *viva voce*.—*December 10, 1839.*

15. All acts, addresses, and joint resolutions, shall be signed by the Speaker; and all writs, warrants and subpoenas, issued by order of the House, shall be under his hand and seal, attested by the Clerk.—*November 13, 1794.*

16. In case of any disturbance or disorderly conduct in the galleries or lobby, the Speaker (or chairman of the Committee of the Whole House) shall have power to order the same to be cleared.—*March 14, 1794.*

17. No person except members of the Senate, their Secretary, Heads of Departments, Treasurer, Comptrollers, Register, Auditors, President's Secretary, Chaplains to Congress, Judges of the United States, Foreign ministers and their secretaries, officers who, by name, have received, or shall hereafter receive the thanks of Congress for their gallantry and good conduct displayed in the service of their country, the Governor for the time being of any State or Territory in the Union, such gentlemen as have been Heads of Departments or members of

either branch of the National legislature, the members of the legislatures, for the time being, of the States and Territories—*January 14, 1850*—and, at the discretion of the Speaker, persons who belong to such legislatures of *foreign* governments as are in *amity* with the United States, shall be admitted within the Hall of the House of Representatives; and no person, not known to the doorkeeper to be entitled to the privilege of the floor, shall enter the Hall, unless the doorkeeper shall be informed by a member that the individual is entitled to admission under this rule, and in what capacity.—*January 14, 1850.*

18. Stenographers, wishing to take down the debates, may be admitted by the Speaker, who shall assign such places to them, on the floor or elsewhere, to effect their object, as shall not interfere with the convenience of the House—*January 7, 1802; modified to present form, December 23, 1811.*

19. No person shall be allowed the privilege of the Hall, under the character of stenographer, without a written permission from the Speaker, specifying the part of the Hall assigned to him; and no reporter or stenographer shall be admitted under the rules of the House, unless such reporter or stenographer shall state, in writing, for what paper or papers he is employed to report.—*March 1, 1838.* And no person shall be admitted, under the rules of the House, as a reporter or stenographer, for any paper or papers, who shall be employed as an agent to prosecute any claim pending before Congress, and the Speaker shall give his written permission with this condition; and not more than one reporter or stenographer shall be assigned the same seat.—*December 13, 1852.*

20. The doorkeeper shall execute strictly the 17th and 18th rules, relative to the privilege of the Hall.—*March 1, 1838.*

21. The Clerk of the House shall take an oath for the true and faithful discharge of the duties of his office, to the best of his knowledge and abilities—*April 13, 1789; and act June 1, 1789.* He shall be deemed to continue in office until another be appointed.—*March 1, 1791.*

ORDER OF BUSINESS OF THE SESSION.

22. After six days from the commencement of a second or subsequent session of any Congress, all bills, resolutions, and reports, which originated in the House, and at the close of the next preceding session remained undetermined, shall be resumed and acted on in the same manner as if an adjournment had not taken place.—*March 17, 1818.*

ORDER OF BUSINESS OF THE DAY.

23. As soon as the journal is read, the Speaker shall call for petitions from the members of each State and delegates from each Territory, beginning with Maine—*December 23, 1811*—and the Territory of Wisconsin, alternately—*September 15, 1837*; and if, on any day, the whole of the States and Territories shall not be called, the Speaker shall begin on the next day where he left off the previous day—*December 23, 1811*; provided that, after the first thirty days of the session, petitions shall not be received except on the first day of the meeting of the House in each week.—*March 13, 1822.*

24. Petitions, memorials, and other papers addressed to the House, shall be presented by the Speaker, or by a member in his place; a brief statement of the contents thereof shall be made verbally by the introducer; they shall not be debated on the very day of their being presented; nor on any day assigned by the House for the receipt of petitions after the first thirty days of the session, unless where the House shall direct otherwise, but shall lie on the table, to be taken up in the order in which they were presented.—*September 14, 1837.* Members having petitions and memorials to present may hand them to the Clerk, endorsing the same with their names, and the reference or disposition to be made thereof; and such petitions and memorials shall be entered on the journal, subject to the control and direction of the Speaker; and if any petition or memorial be so handed in, which, in the judgment of the Speaker, is excluded by the rules, the same shall be returned to the member from whom it was received.—*March 29, 1842.*

25. The petitions having been presented and disposed of, reports from committees shall be called for and disposed of—*December 23, 1811*; in doing which, the Speaker shall call upon each standing committee, in the order they are named in the 76th and 104th rules; and when all the standing committees shall have been called on, then it shall be the duty of the Speaker to call for reports from select committees; if the Speaker shall not get through the call upon the committees before the House passes to other business, he shall resume the next call where he left off.—*September 15, 1837.* Resolutions shall then be called for in the same order, and disposed of by the same rules which apply to petitions: provided that no member shall offer more than one resolution, or one series of resolutions, all relating to the same subject, until all the States and Territories shall have been called.—*January 14, 1829.*

26. All the States and Territories shall be called for resolutions on each alternate Monday during each session of Congress; and, if necessary to secure this object on said days, all resolutions which shall give rise to debate shall lie over for discussion, under the rules of the House already established; and the whole of said days shall be appropriated to resolutions, until all the States and Territories are called through.—*February 6, 1838.*

27. After one hour shall have been devoted to reports from committees and resolutions, it shall be in order, pending the consideration or discussion thereof, to entertain a motion that the House do now proceed to dispose of the business on the Speaker's table, and to the orders of the day.—*January 5, 1832*; which being decided in the affirmative, the Speaker shall dispose of the business on his table in the following order, viz:

1st. Messages and other executive communications.

2d. Messages from the Senate and amendments proposed by the Senate to bills of the House.

3d. Bills and resolutions from the Senate on their first and second reading, that they be referred to committees and put under way; but if, on being read a second time, no motion be made to commit, they are to be ordered to their third reading, unless objection be

made; in which case, if not otherwise ordered by a majority of the House, they are to be laid on the table in the general file of bills on the Speaker's table, to be taken up in their turn.

4th. Engrossed bills and bills from the Senate on their third reading.

5th. Bills of the House and from the Senate, on the Speaker's table, on their engrossment, or on being ordered to a third reading, to be taken up and considered in the order of time in which they passed to a second reading.

The messages, communications and bills on his table, having been disposed of, the Speaker shall then proceed to call the orders of the day.—*September 14, 1837.*

28. The business specified in the 26th and 27th rules shall be done at no other part of the day, except by permission of the House.—*December 23, 1811.*

LOCAL OR PRIVATE BUSINESS.

29. Friday and Saturday in every week shall be set apart for the consideration of private bills and private business, in preference to any other, unless otherwise determined by a majority of the House.—*January 22, 1810, and January 26, 1826.*

30. On the first and fourth Friday of each month, the calendar of private bills shall be called over, (the chairman of the Committee of the Whole House commencing the call where he left off the previous day,) and the bills to the passage of which no objection shall then be made shall be first considered and disposed of.—*January 25, 1839.*

OF DECORUM AND DEBATE.

31. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the House, he shall rise from his seat and respectfully address himself to "Mr. Speaker,"—*April 7, 1789*; and shall confine himself to the question under debate, and avoid personality.—*December 23, 1811.*

32. Members may address the House or committee from the Clerk's desk, or from a place near the Speaker's chair.

33. When two or more members happen to rise at once, the Speaker shall name the member who is first to speak.—*April 7, 1789.*

34. No member shall occupy more than one hour in debate on any question in the House, or in Committee; but a member reporting the measure under consideration from a committee may open and close the debate: provided, that where debate is closed by order of the House, any member shall be allowed, in committee, five minutes to explain any amendment he may offer, after which any member who shall first obtain the floor shall be allowed to speak five minutes in opposition to it, and there shall be no further debate on the amendment; but the same privilege on debate shall be allowed in favor of and against any amendment that may be offered to the amendment; and neither the amendment nor an amendment to the amendment shall be withdrawn by the mover thereof, unless by the unanimous consent of the committee.—*December 18, 1847.*

35. If any member, in speaking or otherwise, transgress the rules of the House, the Speaker shall, or any member may, call to order; in

which case, the member so called to order shall immediately sit down, unless permitted to explain; and the House shall, if appealed to, decide on the case, but without debate: if there be no appeal, the decision of the Chair shall be submitted to. If the decision be in favor of the member called to order, he shall be at liberty to proceed; *if otherwise, he shall not be permitted to proceed, in case any member object, without leave of the House*: and if the case require it, he shall be liable to the censure of the House.—*April 7, 1789, and March 13, 1822.*

36. If a member be called to order for words spoken in debate, the person calling him to order shall repeat the words excepted to, and they shall be taken down in writing at the Clerk's table; and no member shall be held to answer, or be subject to the censure of the House, for words spoken in debate, if any other member has spoken, or other business has intervened, after the words spoken, and before exception to them shall have been taken.—*September 14, 1837.*

37. No member shall speak more than once to the same question, without leave of the House.—*April 7, 1789*—unless he be the mover, proposer, or introducer of the matter pending; in which case he shall be permitted to speak in reply, but not until every member choosing to speak shall have spoken.—*January 14, 1840.*

38. If a question depending be lost by adjournment of the House, and revived on the succeeding day, no member who shall have spoken on the preceding day shall be permitted again to speak without leave.—*April 7, 1789.*

39. While the Speaker is putting any question, or addressing the House, none shall walk out of or across the House; nor, in such case, or when a member is speaking, shall entertain private discourse; nor while a member is speaking shall pass between him and the chair.—*April 7, 1789.* Every member shall remain uncovered during the session of the House.—*September 14, 1837.* No member or other person shall visit or remain by the Clerk's table while the yeas and noes are calling, or ballots are counting.—*September 14, 1837.*

40. No member shall vote on any question in the event of which he is immediately and particularly interested, or in any case where he was not within the bar of the House when the question was put.—*April 7, 1789.* And when any member shall ask leave to vote, the Speaker shall propound to him the question—“*Were you within the bar when your name was called?*”—*September 14, 1837.*

41. Upon a division and count of the House on any question, no member without the bar shall be counted.—*November 13, 1794.*

42. Every member who shall be in the House when the question is put shall give his vote unless the House, for special reason, shall excuse him.—*April 7, 1789.* All motions to excuse a member from voting shall be made before the House divides, or before the call of the yeas and nays is commenced; and the question shall then be taken without further debate.—*September 14, 1837.*

43. When a motion is made and seconded, it shall be stated by the Speaker; or, being in writing, it shall be handed to the Chair, and read aloud by the Clerk, before debated.—*April 7, 1789.*

44. Every motion shall be reduced to writing, if the Speaker or any member desire it.—*April 7, 1789.* Every *written* motion made to the

House shall be inserted on the Journal, with the name of the member making it, unless it be withdrawn on the same day on which it was submitted.—*March 26, 1806.*

45. After a motion is stated by the Speaker, or read by the Clerk, it shall be deemed to be in the possession of the House, but may be withdrawn at any time before a decision or amendment.—*April 7, 1789.*

46. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to lie on the table, for the previous question, to postpone to a day certain, to commit or amend, to postpone indefinitely; which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are arranged—*March 13, 1822*; and no motion to postpone to a day certain, to commit, or to postpone indefinitely, being decided, shall be again allowed on the same day, and at the same stage of the bill or proposition.

47. When a resolution shall be offered, or a motion made, to refer any subject, and different committees shall be proposed, the question shall be taken in the following order:

The Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; the Committee of the Whole House; a Standing Committee; a Select Committee.—*March 13, 1822.*

48. A motion to adjourn, and a motion to fix the day to which the House shall adjourn, shall be always in order—*April 7, 1789, and January 14, 1840*: these motions, and the motion to lie on the table, shall be decided without debate.—*November 13, 1794; March 13, 1822.*

49. The hour at which every motion to adjourn is made shall be entered on the Journal.—*October 9, 1837.*

50. The previous question shall be in this form: "Shall the main question be now put?"—*April 7, 1789.* It shall only be admitted when demanded by a majority of the members present—*February 24, 1812*; and its effect shall be to put an end to all debate, and bring the House to a direct vote upon a motion to commit, if such motion shall have been made; and if this motion does not prevail, then upon amendments reported by a committee, if any; then—*August 5, 1848*—upon pending amendments, and then upon the main question.—*January 14, 1840.* On a motion for the previous question, and prior to the seconding of the same, a call of the House shall be in order; but after a majority shall have seconded such motion, no call shall be in order prior to a decision of the main question.—*September 14, 1837.*

51. On a previous question there shall be no debate.—*December 17, 1805.* All incidental questions of order arising after a motion is made for the previous question, and pending such motion, shall be decided, whether on appeal or otherwise, without debate.—*September 15, 1837.*

52. When a question is postponed indefinitely, the same shall not be acted upon again during the session.—*December 17, 1805.*

53. Any member may call for the division of a question, which shall be divided if it comprehend propositions in substance so distinct that one being taken away, a substantive proposition shall remain for the decision of the House.—*September 15, 1837.* A motion to strike out and insert shall be deemed indivisible.—*December 23, 1811*; but a motion to strike out being lost, shall preclude neither amendment nor a motion to strike out and insert.—*March 13, 1822.*

54. Motions and reports may be committed at the pleasure of the House.—*April 7, 1789.*

55. No motion or proposition on a subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted under color of amendment.—*March 13, 1822.* No bill or resolution shall, at any time, be amended by annexing thereto, or incorporating therewith, any other bill or resolution pending before the House.—*September 15, 1837.*

56. When a motion has been once made, and carried in the affirmative or negative, it shall be in order for any member of the majority to move for the reconsideration thereof—*January 7, 1802*—on the same or succeeding day—*December 23, 1811*; and such motion shall take precedence of all other questions, except a motion to adjourn—*May 6, 1828*—and shall not be withdrawn after the said succeeding day, without the consent of the House, and thereafter any member may call it up for consideration.—*March 2, 1848.*

57. When the reading of a paper is called for, and the same is objected to by any member, it shall be determined by a vote of the House—*November 13, 1794.*

58. The unfinished business in which the House was engaged at the last preceding adjournment shall have the preference in the orders of the day; and no motion on any other business shall be received, without special leave of the House, until the former is disposed of.—*November 13, 1794.*

59. Every order, resolution, or vote, to which the concurrence of the Senate shall be necessary, shall be read to the House and laid on the table, on a day preceding that in which the same shall be moved, unless the House shall otherwise expressly allow.—*April 7, 1789.*

60. The name of the member who presents a petition or memorial, or who offers a resolution to the consideration of the House, shall be inserted on the Journal.—*March 22, 1806.*

61. A proposition requesting information from the President of the United States, or directing it to be furnished by the head of either of the Executive Departments, or by the Postmaster General—*December 13, 1820*—or to print an extra number of any document or other matter, excepting messages of the President to both houses at the commencement of each session of Congress, and the reports and documents connected with or referred to in it, shall lie on the table one day for consideration, unless otherwise ordered by the unanimous consent of the House—*December 13, 1820*; and all such propositions shall be taken up for consideration in the order they were presented, immediately after reports are called for from select committees; and, when adopted, the Clerk shall cause the same to be delivered.—*January 22, 1822.*

62. Upon calls of the House, or in taking the yeas and nays on any question, the names of the members shall be called alphabetically.—*April 7, 1789.*

63. Upon the call of the House, the names of the members shall be called over by the Clerk, and the absentees noted; after which, the names of the absentees shall again be called over: the doors shall then be shut, and those for whom no excuse or insufficient excuses are made may, by order of those present, if fifteen in number, be taken into custody as they appear, or may be sent for and taken into custody,

wherever to be found, by special messengers to be appointed for that purpose.—*November 13, 1789, and December 14, 1796.*

64. When a member shall be discharged from custody, and admitted to his seat, the House shall determine whether such discharge shall be with or without paying fees; and in like manner, whether a delinquent member, taken into custody by a special messenger, shall or shall not be liable to defray the expense of such special messenger.—*November 13, 1794.*

65. Any fifteen members (including the Speaker, if there be one) shall be authorized to compel the attendance of absent members.—*April 17, 1789.*

66. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House, unless he have leave, or be sick or unable to attend.—*April 13, 1789.*

67. A Sergeant-at-arms shall be appointed, to hold his office during the pleasure of the House, whose duty it shall be to attend the House during its sittings; to execute the commands of the House from time to time; together with all such process, issued by authority thereof, as shall be directed to him by the Speaker.—*April 14, 1789.*

68. The symbol of his office (the mace) shall be borne by the Sergeant-at-arms when in the execution of his office.—*April 14, 1789.*

69. The fees of the Sergeant-at-arms shall be, for every arrest, the sum of two dollars; for each day's custody and releasement, one dollar; and for travelling expenses for himself or a special messenger, going and returning, one-tenth of a dollar per mile.—*April 14, 1789.*

70. It shall be the duty of the Sergeant-at-arms to keep the accounts for pay and mileage of members, to prepare checks, and, if required to do so, to draw the money on such checks for the members, (the same being previously signed by the Speaker, and endorsed by the member,) and pay over the same to the member entitled thereto.—*April 4, 1838.*

71. The Sergeant-at-arms shall give bond, with surety, to the United States, in a sum not less than five nor more than ten thousand dollars, at the discretion of the Speaker, and with such surety as the Speaker may approve, faithfully to account for the money coming into his hands for the pay of members.—*April 4, 1838.*

72. The Sergeant-at-arms shall be sworn to keep the secrets of the House.—*December 23, 1811.*

73. A Doorkeeper shall be appointed for the service of the House.—*April 2, 1789.*

74. The Doorkeeper shall be sworn to keep the secrets of the House.—*December 23, 1811.*

75. The Postmaster, to superintend the post office kept in the Capitol for the accommodation of the members, shall be appointed by the House.—*April 4, 1838.*

76. Twenty-eight standing committees shall be appointed at the commencement of each session, viz:

A Committee of Elections.—*November 13, 1789.*

A Committee of Ways and Means.—*January 7, 1802.*

A Committee of Claims.—*November 13, 1794.*

A Committee on Commerce.—*December 14, 1795.*

A Committee on the Public Lands.—*December 17, 1805.*

A Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.—*November 9, 1806.*

A Committee for the District of Columbia.—*Jan. 27, 1808.*

To consist of nine members each.

A Committee on the Judiciary.— <i>June 3, 1813.</i>	} To consist of nine members each.
A Committee on Revolutionary Claims.— <i>Dec. 22, 1813.</i>	
A Committee on Public Expenditures.— <i>February 26, 1814.</i>	
A Committee on Private Land Claims.— <i>April 29, 1816.</i>	
A Committee on Manufactures.— <i>December 8, 1819.</i>	
A Committee on Agriculture.— <i>May 3, 1820.</i>	
A Committee on Indian Affairs.— <i>December 18, 1821.</i>	
A Committee on Military Affairs.— <i>March 13, 1822.</i>	
A Committee on the Militia.— <i>December 10, 1825.</i>	
A Committee on Naval Affairs.— <i>March 13, 1822.</i>	
A Committee on Foreign Affairs.— <i>March 13, 1822.</i>	
A Committee on the Territories.— <i>December 13, 1825.</i>	
A Committee on Revolutionary Pensions.— <i>Dec. 9, 1825.</i>	
A Committee on Invalid Pensions.— <i>January 10, 1831.</i>	
A Committee on Roads and Canals.— <i>December 15, 1831.</i>	} To consist of five members each.
A Committee on Patents.— <i>September 15, 1837.</i>	
A Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.— <i>September 15, 1837.</i>	
A Committee of Revisal and Unfinished Business.— <i>December 14, 1795.</i>	
A Committee of Accounts.— <i>November 7, 1804.</i>	
A Committee on Mileage.— <i>September 15, 1837.</i>	
A Committee on Engraving, to consist of three members.— <i>March 16, 1844.</i>	

77. It shall be the duty of the Committee of Elections to examine and report upon the certificates of election, or other credentials, of the members returned to serve in this House; and to take into their consideration all such petitions and other matters touching elections and returns as shall or may be presented or come into question, and be referred to them by the House.—*November 13, 1789; November 13, 1794.*

78. It shall be the duty of the Committee of Ways and Means to take into consideration all such reports of the Treasury Department, and all such propositions relative to the revenue, as may be referred to them by the House; to inquire into the state of the public debt or the revenue, and of the expenditure: and to report, from time to time, their opinion thereon; [to examine into the state of the several public departments, and particularly into the laws making appropriations of moneys, and to report whether the moneys have been disbursed conformably with such laws; and also to report, from time to time, such provisions and arrangements as may be necessary to add to the economy of the departments, and the accountability of their officers.]—*January 7, 1802.*

In preparing bills of appropriations for other objects, the Committee of Ways and Means shall not include appropriations for carrying into effect treaties made by the United States; and where an appropriation bill shall be referred to them for their consideration, which contains appropriations for carrying a treaty into effect, and for other objects, they shall propose such amendments as shall prevent appropriations for carrying a treaty into effect being included in the same bill with appropriations for other objects.—*January 30, 1819.*

79 It shall also be the duty of the Committee of Ways and Means, within thirty days after their appointment, at every session of Congress commencing on the first Monday of December, to report the general appropriation bills—for the civil and diplomatic expenses of government; for the army; for the navy; and for the Indian department and Indian annuities—or, in failure thereof, the reasons of such failure.—*September 14, 1837.*

80. General appropriation bills shall be in order in preference to any other bills of a public nature, unless otherwise ordered by a majority of the House.—*September 14, 1837.*

81. No appropriation shall be reported in such general appropriation bills, or be in order as an amendment thereto, for any expenditure not previously authorized by law.—*September 14, 1837*—unless in continuation of appropriations for such public works and objects as are already in progress, and for the contingencies for carrying on the several departments of the government.—*March 13, 1838.*

82. It shall be the duty of the Committee of Claims to take into consideration all such petitions and matters or things touching claims and demands on the United States as shall be presented, or shall or may come in question, and be referred to them by the House; and to report their opinion thereupon, together with such propositions for relief therein as to them shall seem expedient.—*November 13, 1794.*

83. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Commerce to take into consideration all such petitions and matters or things touching the commerce of the United States as shall be presented, or shall or may come into question, and be referred to them by the House; and to report, from time to time, their opinion thereon.—*December 14, 1795.*

84. It shall be the duty of the Committee on the Public Lands to take into consideration all such petitions and matters or things respecting the lands of the United States as shall be presented, or shall or may come in question, and be referred to them by the House; and to report their opinion thereon, together with such propositions for relief therein as to them shall seem expedient.—*December 17, 1805.*

85. It shall be the duty of the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads to take into consideration all such petitions and matters or things touching the post office and post roads as shall be presented, or shall come in question, and be referred to them by the House; and to report their opinion thereon, together with such propositions relative thereto as to them shall seem expedient.—*November 9, 1808.*

86. It shall be the duty of the Committee for the District of Columbia to take into consideration all such petitions and matters or things touching the said District as shall be presented, or shall come in question, and be referred to them by the House; and to report their opinion thereon, together with such propositions relative thereto as to them shall seem expedient.—*January 27, 1808.*

87. It shall be the duty of the Committee on the Judiciary to take into consideration such petitions and matters or things touching judicial proceedings as shall be presented, or may come in question, and be referred to them by the House; and to report their opinion thereon, together with such propositions relative thereto as to them shall seem expedient.—*June 3, 1813.*

88. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Revolutionary Claims to take into consideration all such petitions and matters or things touching claims and demands originating in the revolutionary war, or arising therefrom, as shall be presented, or shall or may come in question, and be referred to them by the House; and to report their opinion thereupon, together with such propositions for relief therein as to them shall seem expedient.—*December 22, 1813.*

89. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Public Expenditures to examine into the state of the several public departments, and particularly into laws making appropriations of money, and to report whether the moneys have been disbursed conformably with such laws; and also to report, from time to time, such provisions and arrangements as may be necessary to add to the economy of the departments, and the accountability of their officers.—*February 26, 1814.*

90. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Private Land Claims to take into consideration all claims to land which may be referred to them, or shall or may come in question; and to report their opinion thereupon, together with such propositions for relief therein as to them shall seem expedient.—*April 29, 1816.*

91. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Military Affairs to take into consideration all subjects relating to the military establishment and public defence which may be referred to them by the House, and to report their opinion thereupon; and also to report, from time to time, such measures as may contribute to economy and accountability in the said establishment.—*March 13, 1822.*

92. It shall be the duty of the Committee on the Militia to take into consideration and report on all subjects connected with the organizing, arming and disciplining the militia of the United States.—*December 10, 1835.*

93. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Naval Affairs to take into consideration all matters which concern the naval establishment, and which shall be referred to them by the House, and to report their opinion thereupon; and also to report, from time to time, such measures as may contribute to economy and accountability in the said establishment.—*March 13, 1822.*

94. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Foreign Affairs to take into consideration all matters which concern the relations of the United States with foreign nations, and which shall be referred to them by the House, and to report their opinion on the same.—*March 13, 1822.*

95. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Territories to examine into the legislative, civil and criminal proceedings of the Territories, and to devise and report to the House such means as, in their opinion, may be necessary to secure the rights and privileges of residents and non-residents.—*December 13, 1825.*

96. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions to take into consideration all such matters respecting pensions for services in the Revolutionary war, other than invalid pensions, as shall be referred to them by the House.—*January 10, 1831.*

97. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Invalid Pensions to take into consideration all such matters respecting invalid pensions as shall be referred to them by the House.—*January 10, 1831.*

98. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Roads and Canals to take into consideration all such petitions and matters or things relating to roads and canals, and the improvement of the navigation of rivers, as shall be presented, or may come in question, and be referred to them by the House; and to report thereupon, together with such propositions relative thereto as to them shall seem expedient.—*December 15, 1831.*

99. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Patents to consider all subjects relating to patents which may be referred to them; and report their opinion thereon, together with such propositions relative thereto as may seem to them expedient.—*September 15, 1837.*

100. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds to consider all subjects relating to the public edifices and grounds within the city of Washington which may be referred to them; and report their opinion thereon, together with such propositions relating thereto as may seem to them expedient.—*September 15, 1837.*

101. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Revisal and Unfinished Business to examine and report what laws have expired, or are near expiring, and require to be revived or further continued; also to examine and report from the Journal of last session, all such matters as were then depending and undetermined.—*December 14, 1795.*

102. It shall be the duty of the Committee of Accounts to superintend and control the expenditures of the contingent fund of the House of Representatives—*December 17, 1805*; also to audit and settle all accounts which may be charged thereon; and also to audit the accounts of the members for their travel to and from the seat of government, and their attendance in the House.—*December 23, 1811.*

103. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Mileage to ascertain and report the distance to the Sergeant-at-arms for which each member shall receive pay.—*September 15, 1837.*

104. There shall be appointed a standing committee of this House, to consist of three members, to be called the Committee on Engraving, to whom shall be referred by the Clerk all drawings, maps, charts, or other papers, which may at any time come before the House for engraving, lithographing, or publishing in any way; which committee shall report to the House whether the same ought, in their opinion, to be published; and if the House order the publication of the same, that said committee shall direct the size and manner of execution of all such maps, charts, drawings, or other papers, and contract by agreement, in writing, for all such engraving, lithographing, printing, drawing and coloring, as may be ordered by the House; which agreement, in writing, shall be furnished by said committee to the Committee of Accounts, to govern said committee in all allowances for such works; and it shall be in order for said committee to report at all times.—*March 16, 1844.*

105. Six additional standing committees shall be appointed at the commencement of the first session in each Congress, whose duties shall continue until the first session of the ensuing Congress.—*March 30, 1816.*

1. A committee on so much of the public accounts and expenditures as relate to the Department of State;
2. A committee on so much of the public accounts and expenditures as relate to the Treasury Department;
3. A committee on so much of the public accounts and expenditures as relate to the Department of War;
4. A committee on so much of the public accounts and expenditures as relate to the Department of the Navy;
5. A committee on so much of the public accounts and expenditures as relate to the Post Office; and
6. A committee on so much of the public accounts and expenditures as relate to the Public Buildings;

To consist of five members each.

106. It shall be the duty of the said committees to examine into the state of the accounts and expenditures respectively submitted to them, and to inquire and report particularly—

Whether the expenditures of the respective departments are justified by law;

Whether the claims from time to time satisfied and discharged by the respective departments are supported by sufficient vouchers, establishing their justness both as to their character and amount;

Whether such claims have been discharged out of funds appropriated therefor, and whether all moneys have been disbursed in conformity with appropriation laws; and

Whether any, and what provisions are necessary to be adopted, to provide more perfectly for the proper application of the public moneys, and to secure the government from demands unjust in their character or extravagant in their amount.

And it shall be, moreover, the duty of the said committees to report, from time to time, whether any and what retrenchment can be made in the expenditures of the several departments without detriment to the public service; whether any, and what abuses at any time exist in the failure to enforce the payment of moneys which may be due to the United States from public defaulters or others; and to report, from time to time, such provisions and arrangements as may be necessary to add to the economy of the several departments and the accountability of their officers.—*March 30, 1816.*

It shall be the duty of the several committees on Public Expenditures to inquire whether any offices belonging to the branches or departments, respectively, concerning whose expenditures it is their duty to inquire, have become useless or unnecessary; and to report, from time to time, on the expediency of modifying or abolishing the same: also, to examine into the pay and emoluments of all offices under the laws of the United States; and to report from time to time such a reduction or increase thereof as a just economy and the public service may require.—*February 19, 1817.*

107. The several standing committees of the House shall have leave to report by bill or otherwise.—*March 13, 1822.*

108. No committee shall sit during the sitting of the House, without special leave.—*November 13, 1794.*

109. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to make, and cause to be printed, and delivered to each member at the commencement of every session of Congress, a list of the reports which it is the duty of any officer or department of the government to make to Congress; referring to the act or resolution, and page of the volume of the laws or Journal in which it may be contained; and placing under the name of each officer the list of reports required of him to be made, and the time when the report may be expected.—*March 13, 1822.*

110. It shall be the duty of the Clerk of the House, at the end of each session, to send a printed copy of the Journals thereof to the Executive and to each branch of the Legislature of every State.—*November 13, 1794.*

111. All questions of order shall be noted by the Clerk, with the

decision, and put together at the end of the Journal of every session.—*December 23, 1811.*

112. Whenever confidential communications are received from the President of the United States, the House shall be cleared of all persons, except the members, Clerk, Sergeant-at-arms and Doorkeeper, and so continue during the reading of such communications, and (unless otherwise directed by the House,) during all debates and proceedings to be had thereon. And when the Speaker, or any other member, shall inform the House that he has communications to make, which he conceives ought to be kept secret, the House shall, in like manner, be cleared, till the communication be made; the House shall then determine whether the matter communicated requires secrecy or not, and take order accordingly.—*February 17, 1792, and December 30, 1793.*

113. All questions relating to the priority of business to be acted on, shall be decided without debate.—*February 21, 1803.*

OF BILLS.

114. Every bill shall be introduced on the report of a committee, or by motion for leave. In the latter case, at least one day's notice shall be given of the motion in the House, or by filing a memorandum thereof with the Clerk, and having it entered on the Journal; and the motion shall be made, and the bill introduced, if leave is given, when resolutions are called for; such motion, or the bill when introduced, may be committed.—*April 7, 1789, September 15, 1837, and March 2, 1848.*

115. Every bill shall receive three several readings in the House, previous to its passage; and bills shall be despatched in order as they were introduced, unless where the House shall direct otherwise; but no bill shall be twice read on the same day, without special order of the House.—*April 7, 1789.*

116. The first reading of a bill shall be for information, and if opposition be made to it, the question shall be, "Shall this bill be rejected?" If no opposition be made, or if the question to reject be negatived, the bill shall go to its second reading without a question.—*April 7, 1789.*

117. Upon the second reading of a bill the Speaker shall state it as ready for commitment or engrossment; and if committed, then a question shall be, whether to a select or standing committee, or to a Committee of the Whole House; if to a Committee of the Whole House, the House shall determine on what day—*November 13, 1794*; if no motion be made to commit, the question shall be stated on its engrossment; and if it be not ordered to be engrossed on the day of its being reported, it shall be placed in the general file on the Speaker's table, to be taken up in order.—*September 14, 1837.* But, if the bill be ordered to be engrossed, the House shall appoint the day when it shall be read the third time.—*November 13, 1794.*

118. Not more than three bills, originating in the House, shall be committed to the same Committee of the Whole; and such bills shall be analogous in their nature, which analogy shall be determined by the Speaker.—*December 29, 1817.*

119. A motion to strike out the enacting words of a bill shall have

precedence of a motion to amend ; and if carried, shall be considered equivalent to its rejection.—*March 13, 1822.*

120. After commitment and report thereof to the House, or at any time before its passage, a bill may be recommitted.—*April 7, 1789.*

121. All bills ordered to be engrossed shall be executed in a fair round hand.—*April 7, 1789.*

122. No amendment by way of *rider* shall be received to any bill on its third reading.—*April 8, 1814.*

123. When a bill shall pass, it shall be certified by the Clerk, noting the day of its passage at the foot thereof.—*April 7, 1789.*

OF COMMITTEES OF THE WHOLE HOUSE.

124. It shall be a standing order of the day, throughout the session, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.—*April 7, 1789.*

125. In forming a Committee of the Whole House, the Speaker shall leave his chair, and a chairman, to preside in committee, shall be appointed by the Speaker.—*April 7, 1789.*

126. Whenever the Committee of the Whole on the state of the Union, or the Committee of the Whole House, finds itself without a quorum, the chairman shall cause the roll of the House to be called ; and thereupon the committee shall rise, and the chairman shall report the names of the absentees to the House, which shall be entered on the journal.—*December 18, 1847.*

127. Upon bills committed to a Committee of the Whole House, the bill shall be first read throughout by the Clerk, and then again read and debated by clauses, leaving the preamble to be last considered. The body of the bill shall not be defaced or interlined ; but all amendments, noting the page and line, shall be duly entered by the Clerk on a separate paper, as the same shall be agreed to by the committee, and so reported to the House. After report, the bill shall again be subject to be debated and amended by clauses, before a question to engross it be taken.—*April 7, 1789.*

128. All amendments made to an original motion in committee shall be incorporated with the motion, and so reported.—*April 7, 1789.*

129. All amendments made to a report committed to a Committee of the Whole House shall be noted, and reported, as in the case of bills.—*April 7, 1789.*

130. All questions, whether in Committee or in the House, shall be propounded in the order in which they were moved, except that, in filling up blanks, the largest sum and longest time shall be first put.—*April 7, 1789.*

131. No motion or proposition for a tax or charge upon the people shall be discussed the day on which it is made or offered ; and every such proposition shall receive its first discussion in a Committee of the Whole House.—*November 13, 1794.*

132. No sum or quantum of tax or duty, voted by a Committee of the Whole House, shall be increased in the House until the motion or proposition for such increase shall be first discussed and voted in a

Committee of the Whole House; and so in respect to the time of its continuance.—*November 13, 1794.*

133. All proceedings touching appropriations of money shall be first discussed in a Committee of the Whole House.—*November 13, 1794.*

134. The rules of proceedings in the House shall be observed in a Committee of the Whole House, so far as they may be applicable, except the rule limiting the times of speaking—*April 7, 1789*; but no member shall speak twice to any question, until every member choosing to speak shall have spoken.—*December 17, 1805.*

135. In Committee of the Whole on the state of the Union, the bills shall be taken up and disposed of in their order on the calendar; but when objection is made to the consideration of a bill, a majority of the committee shall decide, without debate, whether it shall be taken up and disposed of, or laid aside: provided that general appropriation bills, and, in time of war, bills for raising men or money, and bills concerning a treaty of peace, shall be preferred to all other bills, at the discretion of the committee; and when demanded by any member, the question shall first be put in regard to them.—*July 27, 1848.*

136. No standing rule or order of the House shall be rescinded or changed without one day's notice being given of the motion therefor—*November 13, 1794*; nor shall any rule be suspended, except by a vote of at least two-thirds of the members present—*March 13, 1822*; nor shall the order of business, as established by the rules, be postponed or changed, except by a vote of at least two-thirds of the members present.—*April 26, 1828.* The House may at any time, by a vote of a majority of the members present, suspend the rules and orders for the purpose of going into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and also for providing for the discharge of the Committee of the Whole House, and the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union—*January 25, 1848*—from the further consideration of any bill referred to it, after acting, without debate, on all amendments pending, and that may be offered.—*March 11, 1844.*

137. Except during the last ten days of the session, the Speaker shall not entertain a motion to suspend the rules of the House at any time, except on Monday of every week: provided nothing herein contained shall be construed to alter so much of the 136th rule as provides as follows: "The House may at any time, by a vote of a majority of the members present, suspend the rules and orders for the purpose of going into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union; and also for providing for the discharge of the committee from the further consideration of any bill referred to it, after acting, without debate, on all amendments pending, and that may be offered."—*December 18, 1847.*

138. It shall be in order for the Committee on Enrolled Bills to report at any time.—*March 13, 1822.*

139. The rules of parliamentary practice comprised in Jefferson's Manual shall govern the House in all cases to which they are applicable, and in which they are not inconsistent with the Standing Rules and Orders of the House, and the Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives.—*September 15, 1837.*

140. No person shall be permitted to perform divine service in the chamber occupied by the House of Representatives unless with the consent of the Speaker.—*May 19, 1804.*

141. The rule for paying witnesses summoned to appear before this House, or either of its committees, shall be as follows: For each day a witness shall attend, the sum of two dollars; for each mile he shall travel in coming to or going from the place of examination, the sum of ten cents each way, but nothing shall be paid for travelling home when the witness has been summoned at the place of trial.—*June 5, 1832.*

142. The Clerk shall, within thirty days after the close of each session of Congress, cause to be completed the printing and primary distribution, to members and delegates, of the Journal of the House, together with an accurate index to the same.—*June 18, 1832.*

143. There shall be retained in the library of the Clerk's office, for the use of the members there, and not to be withdrawn therefrom, two copies of all the books and printed documents deposited in the library.—*December 22, 1826.*

144. The Clerk shall have preserved for each member of the House an extra copy, in good binding, of all the documents printed by order of either House at each future session of Congress.—*February 9, 1831.*

145. The Clerk shall make a weekly statement of the resolutions and bills (Senate bills inclusive) upon the Speaker's table, accompanied with a brief reference to the orders and proceedings of the House upon each, and the date of such orders and proceedings; which statement shall be printed for the use of the members.—*April 21, 1836.*

146. The Clerk shall cause an index to be prepared to the acts passed at every session of Congress, and to be printed and bound with the acts.—*July 4, 1832.*

147. The unappropriated rooms in that part of the Capitol assigned to the House shall be subject to the order and disposal of the Speaker, until the further order of the House.—*May 26, 1824.*

148. Maps accompanying documents shall not be printed, under the general order to print, without the special direction of the House.—*March 2, 1837; September 11, 1837.*

149. No committee shall be permitted to employ a clerk at the public expense, without first obtaining leave of the House for that purpose.—*December 14, 1838.*

150. No extra compensation shall be allowed to any officer or messenger, page, laborer, or other person in the service of the House, or engaged in or about the public grounds or buildings; and no person shall be an officer of the House, or continue in its employment, who shall be an agent for the prosecution of any claim against the government, or be interested in such claim otherwise than an original claimant; and it shall be the duty of the Committee of Accounts to inquire into and report to the House any violation of this rule.—*March 8, 1842.*

151. Upon the engrossment of any bill making appropriations of money for works of internal improvement of any kind or description, it shall be in the power of any member to call for a division of the question, so as to take a separate vote of the House upon each item of improvement or appropriation contained in said bill, or upon such items separately, and others collectively, as the members making the call

may specify; and if one-fifth of the members present second said call, it shall be the duty of the Speaker to make such divisions of the question, and put them to vote accordingly.—*February 26, 1846.*

152. The following resolution was passed by the House of Representatives, January 30, 1846—*Journal of the House of Representatives, 1st session 29th Congress, page 323:*

“Whereas the Clerk of this House is by law made the responsible officer for the proper disbursement of the contingent fund, and is required to give bond for the faithful disbursement thereof: therefore,

“*Resolved*, That, from and after the passage of this resolution, all contracts, bargains, or agreements, relative to the furnishing any matter or thing, or for the performance of any labor for the House of Representatives, be made with the Clerk, or approved by him, before any allowance shall be made therefor by the Committee of Accounts.”

JOINT RULES AND ORDERS OF THE TWO HOUSES.

1. In every case of an amendment of a bill agreed to in one house, and dissented to in the other, if either house shall request a conference, and appoint a committee for that purpose, and the other house shall also appoint a committee to confer, such committees shall, at a convenient hour, to be agreed on by their chairmen, meet in the conference chamber, and state to each other, verbally or in writing, as either shall choose, the reasons of their respective houses for and against the amendment, and confer freely thereon.—*November 13, 1794.*

2. When a message shall be sent from the Senate to the House of Representatives, it shall be announced at the door of the House by the Doorkeeper, and shall be respectfully communicated to the Chair by the person by whom it may be sent.—*November 13, 1794.*

3. The same ceremony shall be observed when a messenger shall be sent from the House of Representatives to the Senate.—*November 13, 1794.*

4. Messages shall be sent by such persons as a sense of propriety in each house may determine to be proper.—*November 13, 1794.*

5. While bills are on their passage between the two houses they shall be on paper, and under the signature of the Secretary or Clerk of each house, respectively.—*November 13, 1794.*

6. After a bill shall have passed both houses, it shall be duly enrolled on parchment by the Clerk of the House of Representatives, or the Secretary of the Senate, as the bill may have originated in the one or the other house, before it shall be presented to the President of the United States.—*November 13, 1794.*

7. When bills are enrolled, they shall be examined by a joint committee of two from the Senate and two from the House of Representatives, appointed as a standing committee for that purpose, who shall carefully compare the enrolment with the engrossed bills, as passed in the two houses, and, correcting any errors that may be discovered in the enrolled bills, make their report forthwith to their respective houses.—*November 13, 1794, and February 1, 1827.*

8. After examination and report, each bill shall be signed in the respective houses, first by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, then by the President of the Senate.—*November 13, 1794.*

9. After a bill shall have been thus signed in each house, it shall be presented, by the said committee, to the President of the United States, for his approbation, (it being first endorsed on the back of the roll, certifying in which house the same originated; which endorsement shall be signed by the Secretary or Clerk, as the case may be, of the house in which the same did originate,) and shall be entered on the journal of each house. The said committee shall report the day of presentation to the President; which time shall also be carefully entered on the journal of each house.—*November 13, 1794.*

10. All orders, resolutions and votes, which are to be presented to the President of the United States for his approbation, shall also, in the same manner, be previously enrolled, examined, and signed; and shall be presented in the same manner, and by the same committee, as provided in the cases of bills.—*November 13, 1794.*

11. When the Senate and House of Representatives shall judge it proper to make a joint address to the President, it shall be presented to him in his audience chamber by the President of the Senate, in the presence of the Speaker and both houses.—*November 13, 1794.*

12. When a bill or resolution which shall have passed in one house is rejected in the other, notice thereof shall be given to the house in which the same shall have passed.

13. When a bill or resolution which has been passed in one house shall be rejected in the other, it shall not be brought in during the same session, without a notice of ten days, and leave of two-thirds of that house in which it shall be renewed.

14. Each house shall transmit to the other all papers on which any bill or resolution shall be founded.

15. After each house shall have adhered to their disagreement, a bill or resolution shall be lost.

16. No bill that shall have passed one house shall be sent for concurrence to the other on either of the three last days of the session.—*January 30, 1822.*

17. No bill or resolution that shall have passed the House of Representatives and the Senate shall be presented to the President of the United States, for his approbation, on the last day of the session.—*January 30, 1822.*

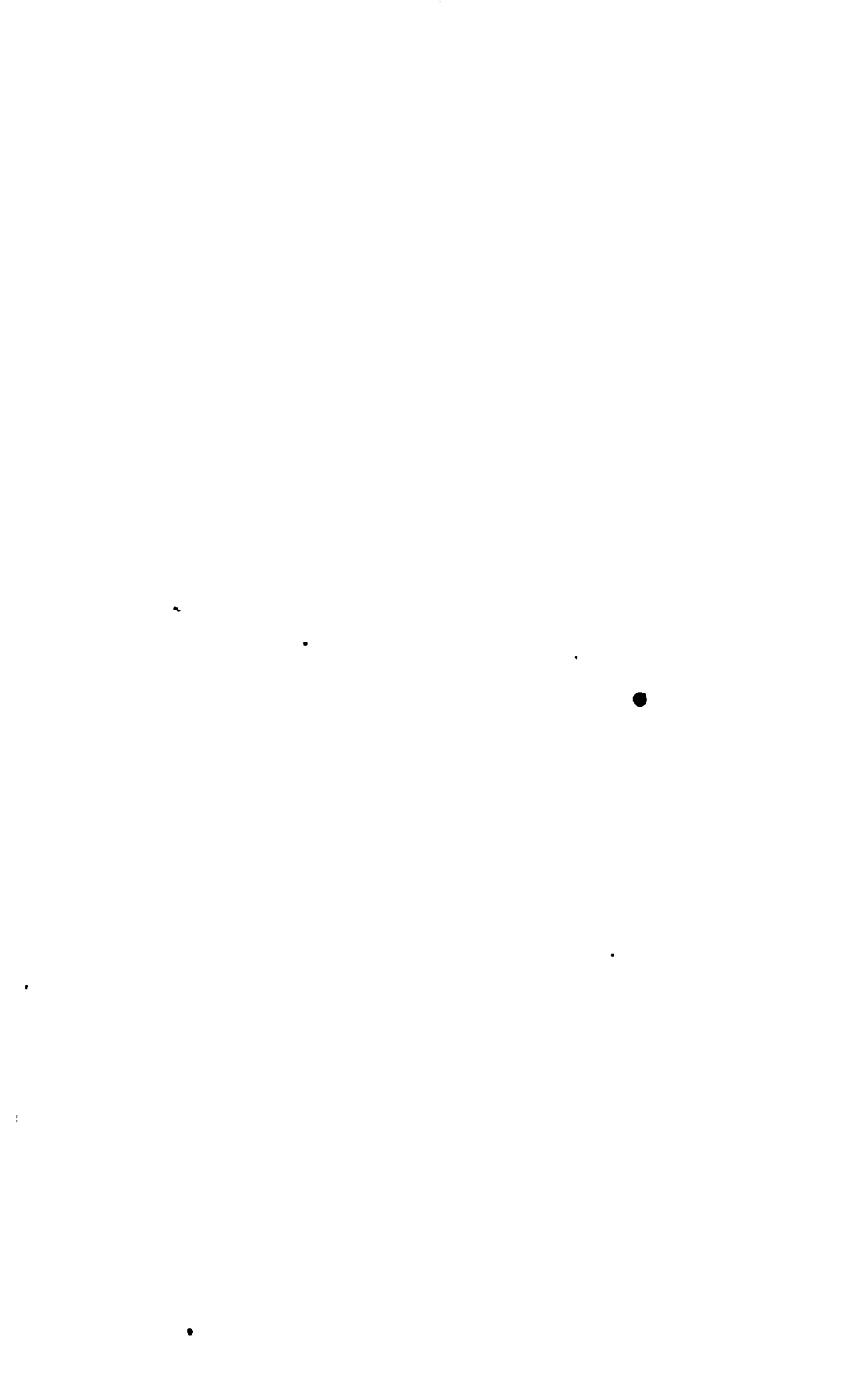
18. When bills which have passed one house are ordered to be printed in the other, a greater number of copies shall not be printed than may be necessary for the use of the house making the order.—*February 9, 1829.*

19. No spirituous liquors shall be offered for sale or exhibited within the Capitol, or on the public grounds adjacent thereto.—*September 18, 1837.*

20. A committee, consisting of three members of the Senate and three members of the House of Representatives, shall be chosen by their respective houses, which shall constitute a Committee on Printing, which shall have power to adopt such measures as may be deemed necessary to remedy any neglect or delay on the part of the contractor to execute the work ordered by Congress, and to make a *pro rata* reduction in the compensation allowed, or to refuse the work altogether, should it be inferior to the standard; and in all cases the contractor and his securities shall be responsible for any increased expenditure consequent upon the non-performance of the contract. The committee shall audit and pass upon all accounts for printing; but no bill shall be acted upon for work that is not actually executed and delivered, and which they may require to be promptly authenticated.—*Joint resolution (second section) of the 1st session 29th Congress.*

21. It shall be in order for the Committee on Printing to report at any time.—*(1st session 30th Congress.)*

22. After six days from the commencement of a second or subsequent session of Congress, all bills, resolutions or reports which originated in either house, and, at the close of the next preceding session, remained undetermined in either house, shall be resumed and acted on in the same manner as if an adjournment had not taken place.—*August 14, 1848.*



QUESTIONS OF ORDER

DECIDED AT THE

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-SECOND CONGRESS.

LINN BOYD, OF KENTUCKY, SPEAKER.

TUESDAY, *December 28*, 1852.—Page 87.

The Speaker having announced that no quorum had voted on the pending motion,

Mr. Alexander H. Stephens demanded the yeas and nays.

The Speaker decided, in conformity with his decision at the last session, and which was sustained by the House, that less than a quorum could not act upon a demand for the yeas and nays, any more than upon any other business; and consequently that the demand for the yeas and nays was not now in order. He thought that, taking the clause of the constitution authorizing "one-fifth of the members present to cause the yeas and nays to be entered on the journal," in connexion with that requiring "a majority of the members to constitute a quorum to do business," it was clearly intended that the "members present," one-fifth of whom may order the yeas and nays, should amount to a quorum. It would be different if the pending motion was to adjourn or for a call of the House, as less than a quorum is competent to act upon either of those motions.

From this decision of the Chair Mr. Alexander H. Stephens appealed;

Pending which,

Mr. Clemens moved that the appeal be laid on the table;

Pending which,

The House adjourned.

TUESDAY, *January 18*, 1853.—Page 145.

No quorum voting on the pending question, Mr. Alexander H. Stephens demanded the yeas and nays.

The Speaker decided that, it appearing that a quorum was not present, it was not competent for less than that number to vote upon a demand for the yeas and nays upon a question which could only be decided by the votes of a quorum. Upon a motion to adjourn, or for a call of the House, he would hold otherwise, as the constitution authorizes less than a quorum to decide those questions. Inasmuch as the constitution requires a majority of the members to be present in

order to do business, he was clearly of the opinion that the clause conferring the authority upon "one-fifth of the members present" to order the yeas and nays, contemplates the presence of such a majority in a case like the present.

From this decision of the Chair Mr. Alexander H. Stephens appealed;

Pending which,

Mr. Gorman moved that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The Speaker stated that the vote just taken having disclosed the fact that a quorum was present, it was now competent for the House to entertain the demand for the yeas and nays; and that the appeal consequently fell.

From this decision of the Chair Mr. Alexander H. Stephens appealed;

And the question being put, Shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the House?

It was decided in the affirmative.

So the decision of the Chair was sustained.

WEDNESDAY, *January 19, 1853.*—Page 152.

Mr. Sweetser made the point of order that debate was not in order on the question of the rejection of the bill.

The Speaker decided that, under the usage of the House in similar cases, debate was allowable.

From this decision of the Chair Mr. Sweetser appealed;

And the question being put, Shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the House?

It was decided in the affirmative.

So the decision of the Chair was sustained.

SAME DAY.—Page 155.

The question then recurring on the motion of Mr. Stuart to proceed to the business on the Speaker's table,

Mr. George W. Jones moved that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. Stuart made the point of order that it was not competent for the gentleman from Tennessee (Mr. Jones) to submit the motion to go into committee until the House had determined whether or not to proceed to the business on the Speaker's table; the latter motion having been made after the expiration of the morning hour, and pending the occupancy of the floor by a member in the discussion of another subject, and when no other motion could be made.

The Speaker overruled the point of order, on the ground that the motion to go to business on the Speaker's table had removed the only obstacle in the way of submitting the motion to go into Committee of the Whole on the state of the Union, by interrupting the pending discussion. He stated that it had been a very frequent practice to interpose the motion to go to the business on the Speaker's table, for the

very purpose of being thus enabled to submit the motion (which could not otherwise be made) to go into Committee of the Whole.

From this decision of the Chair Mr. Stuart appealed ;

Pending which,

Mr. Dean moved that the appeal be laid on the table ;

And the question being put on the latter motion,

It was decided in the affirmative.

So the decision of the Chair was sustained.

THURSDAY, January 20, 1853.—Page 165.

The House being engaged in the consideration of business on the Speaker's table, and the *first* and *second* classes of business having been disposed of, the Speaker announced, as the first bill in order in the *third* class, the bill of the Senate (No. 369) entitled "An act to prohibit public executions in the District of Columbia."

Mr. Walsh made the point of order that the bill of the Senate (No. 64) entitled "An act to provide for the ascertainment and satisfaction of claims of American citizens for spoliations committed by the French prior to the 31st day of July, 1831," was the first business in order in the third class, on the ground that when the said bill was last under consideration, (having been read a first and second time,) there were motions made to refer and commit the same, which motions were left pending and undetermined, by reason of the adjournment of the House ; and, also, on the ground that the 58th rule makes the unfinished business at which the House was engaged at its adjournment first in the orders of the day.

The Speaker decided that the only effect of the pendency of a motion to commit when the House passes from the consideration of a bill, is to make the bill first in order when that class of business to which it belongs is again reached. The proper inquiry, then, is, to what class of business on the Speaker's table does this bill belong? The 27th rule describes the 5th class of business as follows, viz :

5th. Bills of the House and from the Senate on the Speaker's table, on their engrossment, or on being ordered to a third reading, to be taken up and considered in the order of time in which they passed to a second reading.

This contains a literal description of this bill after its second reading, viz : a "Senate bill on being ordered to a third reading;" and unless the effect of a motion to commit be to take a bill out of its class, instead of making it *first in its class*, the 5th is certainly the class to which it still belongs.

So far as relates to the 58th rule, and its effect upon the bill, the Chair is very clear in his opinion that its operation would be to place the bill in a less prominent position, viz : in the orders of the day, which can only be reached after all the classes of business on the Speaker's table are disposed of.

From this decision of the Chair Mr. Walsh appealed ;

Pending which,

Mr. Venable moved that the appeal be laid on the table ;

And the question being put,

It was decided in the affirmative, { Yeas	91
{ Nays	80

So the decision of the Chair was sustained.

THURSDAY, *January 27, 1853.*—Pages 194, 195.

Mr. Stanly, from the committee to whom was referred the bill of the House (No. 277) "to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to deposite with the several States the fourth instalment of the deposits of the public money directed to be made with said States by the act approved June 23, 1836," reported the same, with a recommendation that it do not pass.

Mr. Stanly moved that the said bill be committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, and printed;

Pending which,

Mr. Sweetser moved that the bill be laid on the table;

And the question being put,

It was decided in the affirmative.

So the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Stanly having called up the motion submitted by him, to print the bill,

• The Speaker decided that the effect of the vote to lay the bill on the table had been to lay upon the table the motion to print, and all other motions connected therewith; it was too late, therefore, to call up the motion to print.

From this decision of the Chair Mr. Stanly appealed; when,

On motion of Mr. Orr, the said appeal was laid on the table.

So the decision of the Chair was sustained.

SATURDAY, *January 29, 1853.*—Pages 206, 207.

Mr. McNair moved, as a question of privilege, (under a decision of the Chair,) that the select committee appointed at the last session on the foundation of the Capitol extension be reappointed.

Mr. George W. Jones moved to amend the said motion, by adding thereto: "*also, all the other select committees appointed at the last session who had not discharged their duties.*"

Mr. Stanly made the point of order, that under the resolution of the House of the 24th of August, viz: "*Resolved, That all bills, resolutions, and other matter referred to the standing and select committees of this House, upon which no report shall have been made at this session, shall be returned informally to the Clerk, and shall, by virtue of this resolution, stand recommitted at the commencement of the next session to said committees, into whose possession the Clerk is hereby directed to restore them,*" the select committees were already in existence, and therefore that the pending motions were not in order.

The Speaker overruled the point of order, on the ground that although the resolution referred to might have contemplated the existence of such committees at the present session, no authority had yet been conferred upon him to appoint the members who should compose them. And

without such authority he did not feel at liberty to make the appointment; nor without such appointment could he recognise their present existence.

From this decision of the Chair Mr. Stanly appealed; when,

On motion of Mr. Stuart, it was ordered that the said appeal be laid on the table.

So the decision of the Chair was sustained.

THURSDAY, February 3, 1853.—Page 228.

After debate, the morning hour having expired,

Mr. Orr moved that the House proceed to the consideration of business on the Speaker's table;

Pending which,

Mr. Houston moved that the House resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. Stanly made the point of order, that the pending motions were not in order, on the ground that the bill of the Senate (No. 13) entitled "An act granting to the State of Wisconsin the right of way, and a donation of public land, for the purpose of locating and constructing certain railroads in that State"—being "the unfinished business in which the House was engaged at the adjournment on yesterday"—is, under the 58th rule, entitled to preference in the orders of the day.

The Speaker overruled the point of order, on the ground that the motion to go into Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union was, under the rule, authorized to be put *at any time*.

From this decision of the Chair Mr. Stanly appealed; when,

On motion of Mr. Letcher, the appeal was laid on the table.

So the decision of the Chair was sustained.

SAME DAY.—Page 231.

The Speaker having announced as the business first in order, in the class of Senate bills on their first and second reading, the bill of the Senate (No. 90) entitled "An act granting to the State of Michigan the right of way, and a donation of public lands, for the purpose of constructing a canal or railroad across the peninsula of Michigan;"

Mr. Stanly made the point of order, that the bill of the Senate (No. 13) entitled "An act granting to the State of Wisconsin the right of way, and a donation of public land, for the purpose of locating and constructing certain railroads in that State," in the consideration of which the House was engaged when it adjourned on yesterday, "being read a second time, no motion being made to commit, no objection being made to its third reading," and the previous question demanded, the bill remains in the third class undisposed of by the rule or by the House, and is the first in order when the Speaker again reaches this class of business, as he has now done.

The Speaker stated that when the House passed from the consideration of the said bill No. 13, it had been read a second time, and had thereby become a bill "on being ordered to a third reading," and was, therefore, in the fifth class of business on his table. If, as was con-

tended, it was to be treated as the "unfinished business of the preceding day," it would then occupy a still less prominent position, as the 58th rule would place it in the "orders of the day;" which could only be reached after all the other business on the table was disposed of.

From this decision of the Chair Mr. Doty appealed; when,

On motion of Mr. Dean, it was ordered that the said appeal be laid on the table.

So the decision of the Chair was sustained.

FRIDAY, *February 4, 1853.*—Page 234.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to lay upon the table the bill of the Senate (No. 13) entitled "An act granting to the State of Wisconsin the right of way and a donation of public land for the purpose of locating and constructing certain railroads in that State," submitted by Mr. Doty on yesterday, being called up,

Mr. Dean made the point of order, that it was not in order to move to reconsider a vote by which the House had refused to lay a measure upon the table; the motion to lay upon the table, like that to adjourn, being one that can be made at any time, without that necessity for a reconsideration which exists in other cases.

The Speaker stated that, while he was willing to admit that the weight of argument might be on the side of the gentleman from New York, (Mr. Dean,) the precedents were the other way, and he was not disposed to change the practice. He therefore overruled the point of order.

From this decision of the Chair Mr. George W. Jones appealed; when

Mr. David L. Seymour moved that the appeal be laid on the table.

And the question being put on the latter motion,

It was decided in the affirmative.

So the decision of the Chair was sustained.

WEDNESDAY, *February 9, 1853.*—Page 266.

The House having previously adopted an order to hold night sessions until all the committees were once called for reports,

Mr. Ewing moved that when the House adjourns, it adjourn until to-morrow at 12 o'clock m.

Mr. Isham G. Harris made the point of order that the said motion was not in order.

The Speaker decided that, inasmuch as it was competent for the House to adjourn over for any period not exceeding three days, the motion to adjourn until to-morrow was in order. The resolution of the House which directed that night sessions be held is not more imperative than the authority by which our daily sessions are held; and if it is competent for the House to adjourn over the latter, (as every one admits is the case,) it seems equally clear that it may adjourn over the former.

From this decision of the Chair Mr. Orr appealed; when,
On motion of Mr. Cartter, it was ordered that the said appeal be
laid on the table.

So the decision of the Chair was sustained.

MONDAY, *February 14, 1853.*—Pages 284, 285.

Mr. John G. Davis moved that the rules be suspended so as to enable the Committee on Public Lands to report back to the House the bill of the House (No. 340) "for the adjustment of sales and locations conflicting with swamp-land locations;"

Pending which,

Mr. Stanly made the point of order, that the bill of the Senate (No. 397) entitled "An act for the relief of Rosanna Sowards," was the business first in order—that bill having been taken from the Speaker's table on Monday last, under a suspension of the rules, and being the pending business when the House adjourned on that day.

The Speaker decided that the motion to suspend the rules, having been submitted by the gentleman from Indiana, (Mr. Davis,) must be first considered. If no other business was now before the House, it would be competent for any member to call up the said bill (No. 397)—not because it was taken up under a suspension of the rules, but on account of the pendency of a motion to reconsider the vote by which it was read a second time.

From this decision of the Chair Mr. Stanly appealed;

And the question being put, Shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the House?

It was decided in the affirmative.

So the decision of the Chair was sustained.

THURSDAY, *March 3, 1853.*—Pages 388, 389.

Mr. McMullen moved that the House take a recess until 6 o'clock
p. m.;

Pending which,

Mr. Martin moved a call of the House; which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurred on the motion of Mr. McMullen;

And being put,

No quorum voted.

Mr. McMullen made the point of order, that, a majority having voted affirmatively upon his motion for a recess, it was not necessary that a quorum should have voted, and consequently that the House had determined to take a recess.

The Speaker (Mr. Stuart in the chair) overruled the point of order, and decided that less than a quorum could not determine the question as to whether the House should take a recess.

From this decision of the Chair Mr. Toombs appealed;

Pending which,

Mr. Robert W. Johnson moved a call of the House;

And the question being put,

It was decided in the negative.

So the House refused a call.

The question then recurring on the appeal taken by Mr. Toombs, Mr. McMullen withdrew his motion for a recess; and the said appeal consequently fell.

SAME DAY.—Page 401.

The Speaker then stated the question to be on agreeing to the 42d amendment of the Senate, (providing for a reorganization of the navy;)

Pending which,

Mr. Alexander H. Stephens moved that the bill and amendments be laid on the table; which motion was disagreed to.

The question again recurring on the said 42d amendment,

The reading of the same was called for.

Mr. Polk moved that the rules be suspended, so as to enable him to move that the reading of the said amendment be dispensed with; which motion was agreed to—two-thirds voting in favor thereof.

Mr. Polk accordingly submitted his said motion.

And the question being put,

It was decided in the affirmative.

So it was

Ordered, That the reading of the said amendment be dispensed with.

The Speaker having again stated the question to be on agreeing to the said amendment,

Mr. Alexander H. Stephens asked a division of the question, so that a separate vote might be taken upon the different sections comprised in the amendment.

The Speaker decided that the question was indivisible, and that the vote must be taken upon the entire amendment.

From this decision of the Chair Mr. Alexander H. Stephens appealed;

Pending which,

Mr. Dean moved that the appeal be laid on the table;

Pending which,

Mr. Alexander H. Stephens moved, at 12 o'clock and 30 minutes a. m., that the House adjourn; which motion was disagreed to.

The question then recurred on the motion of Mr. Dean;

And being put,

It was decided in the affirmative.

So the appeal was laid on the table, and the decision of the Chair sustained.

SAME DAY.—Page 405.

Mr. Schermerhorn having been recognised by the Chair,

Mr. Henn made the point of order that he was not entitled to the floor, not having risen from his seat at the time he addressed the Chair.

The Speaker (Mr. Stuart in the chair) overruled the point of order, on the ground that the rules confer authority upon the Speaker to name the member who is entitled to the floor.

From this decision of the Chair Mr. Henn appealed;
Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Robert W. Johnson,
Ordered, That the said appeal be laid on the table.
So the decision of the Chair was sustained.

SAME DAY.—Page 409.

Mr. Hall submitted the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the House adopt the recommendations contained in the report of the first committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on the bill of the House (No. 337) "making appropriations for the civil and diplomatic expenses of the government for the year ending June 30, 1854," and that the said bill be amended accordingly.

The same having been read,

Mr. Hall moved the previous question; which was seconded, and the main question ordered to be put; when

Mr. Toombs made the point of order, that the said resolution was not in order, as it was the same proposition heretofore submitted in the form of a report from the committee of conference, and disagreed to by the House.

The Speaker overruled the point of order.

From this decision of the Chair Mr. Toombs appealed;
Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Dean,
Ordered, That the said appeal be laid on the table.
So the decision of the Chair was sustained.

SAME DAY.—Page 414.

Mr. Albert G. Brown, by unanimous consent, submitted the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House, in executing so much of the resolution passed this day as relates to John Lewis Hickman, shall only compute the number of days that said Hickman has been actually employed during the sittings of Congress;

Pending which,

Mr. Walsh moved to amend the same by adding thereto a provision for the increase of the compensation paid to Francis Reilly for his services as a laborer in the Clerk's office.

Mr. Orr made the point of order that the said amendment was not germane, and consequently not in order.

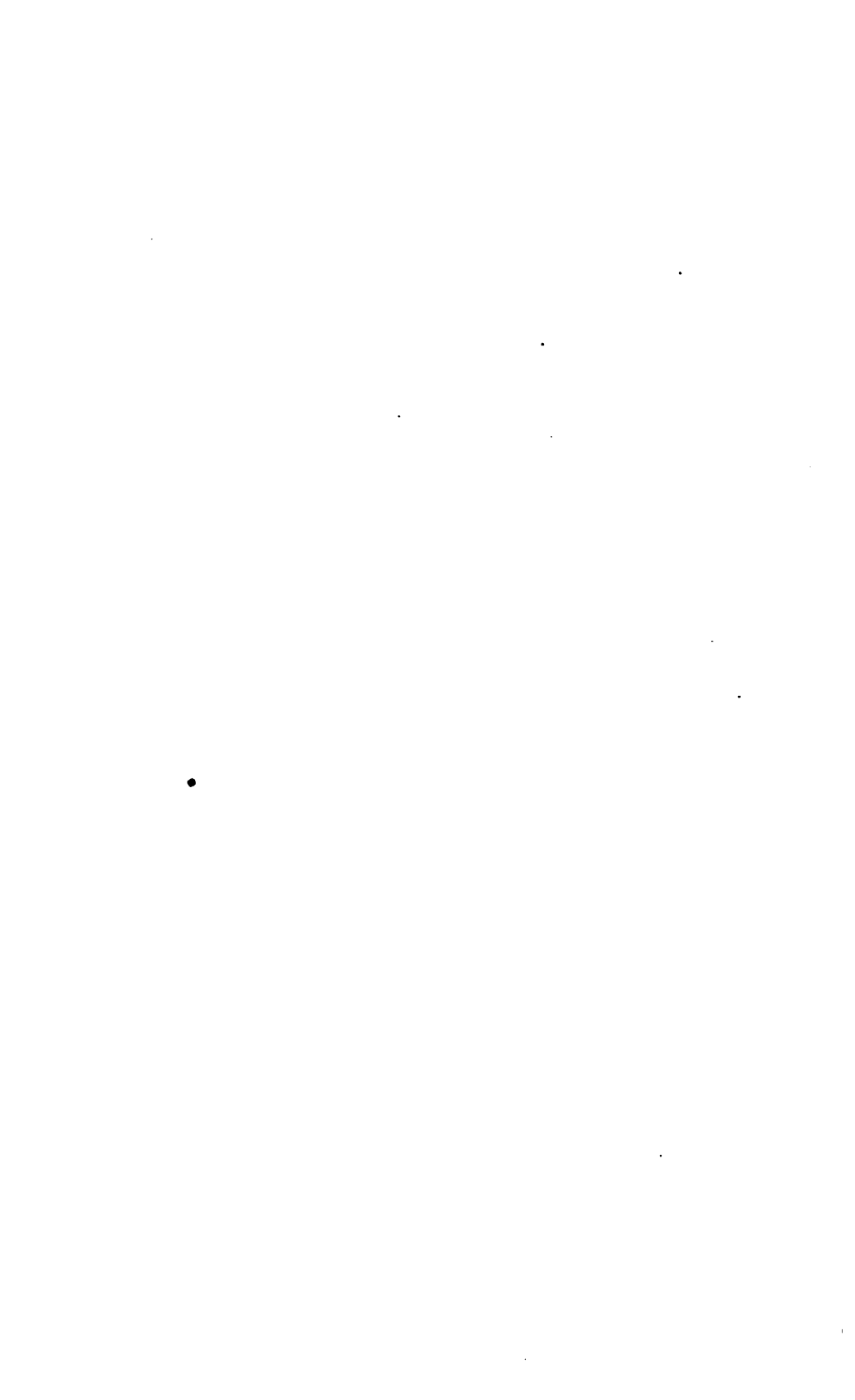
The Speaker (Mr. I. G. Harris in the chair) sustained the point of order, and decided the said amendment to be out of order.

From this decision of the Chair Mr. Walsh appealed:

And the question being put, Shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the House?

It was decided in the affirmative.

So the decision of the Chair was sustained.



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